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“The only thing we have to fear
is fear itself.”

(First Inaugural Address, March 4, 1933)



“The test of our progress is not
whether we add more to the
abundance of those who have much;
it is whether we provide enough
for those who have too little.”

(Second Inaugural Address, January 20, 1937)

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THE labor movement in this country is extremely concerned about rising unemployment and the threat of recession. Remembering the bitter, hungry, jobless days of the early 30's, labor union men and women are quick to beg their parent organizations, "Don't let it happen again." And the parent organizations and the AFL-CIO are sincerely trying to promote ways and means of bettering the current economic situation.

Beginning on March 3, the Fourth Legislative Conference of the AFL-CIO Building and Construction Trades Department was held in Washington, D. C. There were approximately 2,800 delegates and some 500 visitors in attendance at the meeting from international unions, building trades councils and local unions in all parts of the country. There were more than 300 IBEW members in attendance. As in previous years the delegates met on the first day in the Sheraton Park Hotel and listened to speeches by President Meany and other AFL-CIO labor leaders, formulated plans and a program. On the following two days delegates visited their Congressmen

LEGISLATIVE CONFERENCE

and Representatives urging their support for the department's legislative program, and their backing for other labor-approved measures to combat unemployment.

On the fourth and final day of the conference, the delegates returned to the hotel to report the results of their contacts, state by state.

In his address to the meeting, AFL-CIO President George Meany told the delegates that it was a good time for the country to take a good look at the economy and do something about it on the basis of action—not words. Meany cited unemployment, "approaching the 5 million mark," as the "No. 1 concern of all Americans."

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Pres. Freeman greets J. J. Pierce, B.M. of L.U. 313, Wilmington, as W. W. Malcolm, B.M. of L.U. 271, Wichita, waits.





At IBEW Luncheon held in Hamilton Hotel, portion of head table shown in picture includes Vice Presidents Edwards, Anderson, Regan, President Freeman and Vice Presidents Jacobs, Raymond, Liggett.

the scene in ballroom of Sheraton Park Hotel, Washington, as legislative conference began with 2,000 in attendance.

IBEW Counsel Louis Sherman chats with Andrew Biemiller, Director of Legislative Department of the AFL-CIO, during session.

in Washington

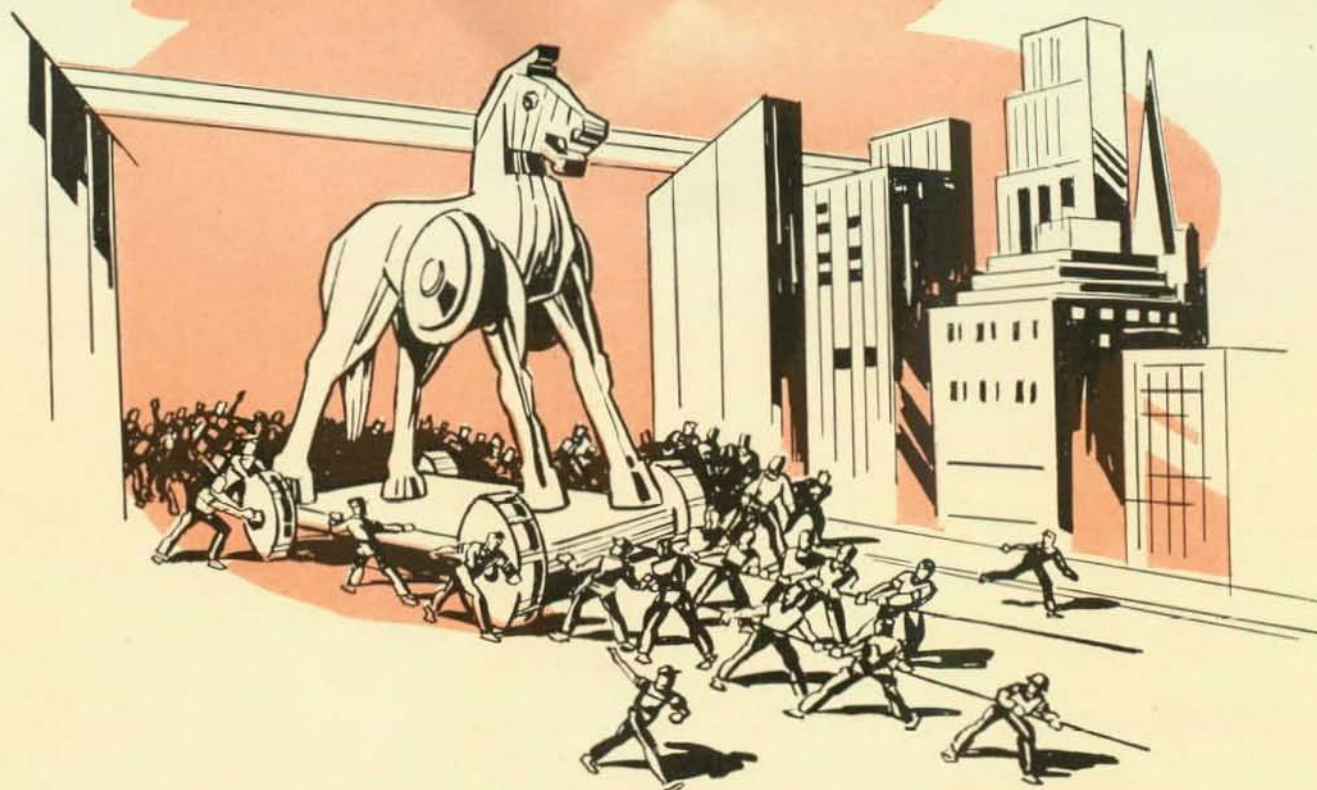


View of a portion of the room when the International played host to IBEW members attending conclave. Legislators were made aware of attitudes of labor.

Another section of the room during luncheon given by the International. Members of the IBEW joined with representatives of other unions and visited solons.



A MEMBER LOOKS



Month after month here on the pages of your Electrical Workers' Journal, your International Officers hold forth with their views of problems that face our nation and our union. We give the IBEW viewpoint, we give the AFL-CIO viewpoint. Sometimes we think you might like to read an article from the members' viewpoint. "Right-to-Work" laws are one of the most pressing problems we face today. We thought you might like to know how a fellow member views "Right-to-Work" laws. The following article is by Charles L. Pancake, a long time member of L. U. 1466, Columbus, Ohio, and president of the Hocking Valley Central Labor Council.

ALL of us remember the story we read in school about the famous Greek Trojan Horse—about how the Greeks, having failed to penetrate the city of Troy's defenses after several months of battle, finally built a huge wooden horse, left it outside the gates as a "gift" for the Trojans, and sailed away.

History tells us that the Trojans were delighted with this "gift" and immediately opened the gates to the city and hauled and tugged the huge horse inside where it was

admired all through the day by the "victorious" Trojans.

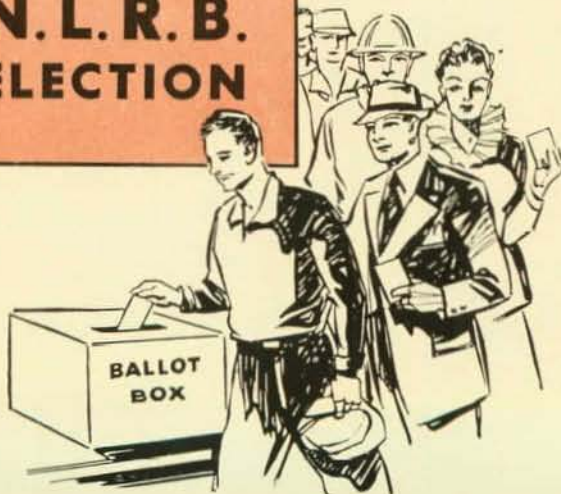
Then, late that night, as the city of Troy slept soundly, a concealed door in the great wooden horse's side silently opened. The Greek soldiers who had been hidden inside quickly alighted and disposed of the guards on the city's walls, then threw open the gates and admitted the rest of the Greek army who had sailed back to Troy under the cover of darkness.

When morning came, the inhabitants of Troy awoke to find themselves in the firm grip of the Greek army.

No doubt there were strong feelings of bitterness and remorse among the citizenry of Troy that day and in the days to come as they gazed at the great wooden horse standing in the city square and realized the "gift" they were all so proud of, was not what it seemed to be and had actually led to their downfall.

Today, right here in our own country, the same "Trojan Horse" tactics are being used to destroy the process of collective bargaining

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The Electrical Workers'

AT "RIGHT-TO-WORK"

between free trade unions and their employers, by certain groups and individuals who hate and fear labor unions. To accomplish their purpose, they too have a gimmick, it has a self-righteous and innocent-sounding title, very misleading and very effective. They call it the "Right-to-Work" act.

To fully explain the effect this so-called "Right-to-Work" law has



on collective bargaining between labor and management, we must first take a brief look at the past relationship between the two parties.

During the period following World War I, labor unions in this country had to fight for survival against such things as "yellow dog" contracts, misuse of injunctions, strikebreakers, goon squads and the like. Through the years of the 1920's and going into the '30's, labor-management relations were in a sorry plight indeed, with strikes, lockouts, violence and bloodshed an every day occurrence.

In 1932 the picture began to change for labor, with the passage of the anti-injunction law (Norris-LaGuardia Act) which restricted the use of the injunction. Then came labor's brightest hour with the enactment of the National Labor Relations Act of 1935, commonly known as the Wagner Act.

The Wagner Act was aimed at

protecting labor and encouraging the growth of unions. It was passed at a time when business was just beginning to overcome the effects of the 1929 depression. Many workers were still unemployed. Without protection for them, employers could have imposed, and some did impose, conditions of employment that nullified any right of employees to organize and bargain collectively.

Under the protection of the Wagner Act, unions grew strong and the right of employees to organize and bargain collectively was firmly established.

The American worker had made it clear to all that he was neither a machine nor an article of commerce, but a human being with human rights and dignity.

The growing size and strength of labor unions allowed them to prosper and in some cases to provide a counterbalance of strength at the bargaining table. The new strength became a source of fear and concern for some employers and employer's groups who protested loud and long by every media at their disposal.

These protests, together with political pressure exerted by these groups, finally resulted in several amendments to the Wagner Act in 1947, commonly referred to as the Taft-Hartley amendments.

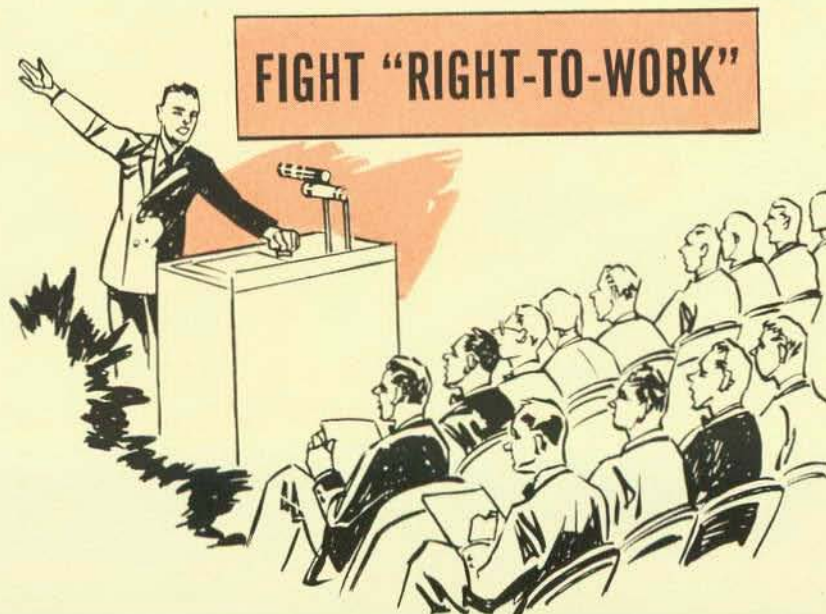
These amendments dealt labor unions a severe blow by placing

upon them the following limitations: (1) Closed shop contracts where union membership was a prerequisite were prohibited. (2) Union shop agreements under which an employee must join a union in a specific number of days after obtaining a job were permissible under certain conditions. (3) Foremen were removed from "Employee" status under the act. (4) Unions were denied NLRB facilities unless they filed certain required information with the government, and (5) restrictions were placed on NLRB choice of appropriate units for collective bargaining.

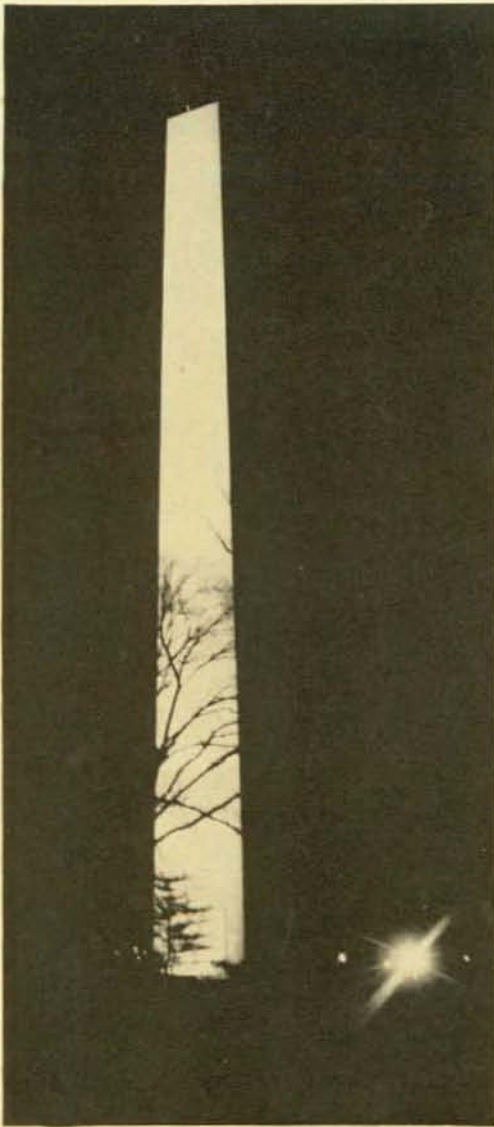
And finally, last, but by no means least, Section 14 (b) of the revised law gave the individual states or territories the right to override this Federal law by passing laws prohibiting the union shop in individual states. This was the first time in the history of the United States that provisions had been made for a state law to be supreme over Federal law.

Going back now to the restrictions placed upon the union shop, the law stated that for the union shop to be "negotiated" between union and employer, at least 51 percent of all the employees eligible to vote in an election held by the NLRB must vote "for" the union shop. This meant that if there were 1000 employees eligible to vote and

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THE LIGHTS SHINE ON OUR



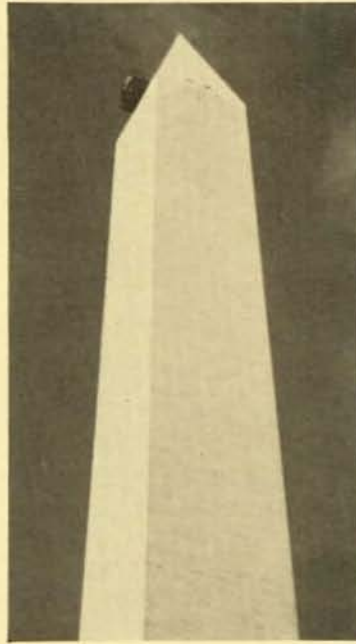
During test of all but one battery of lights, monument appears as gigantic candle.



Group of floodlights arises from underground vault when attendant touches a button.



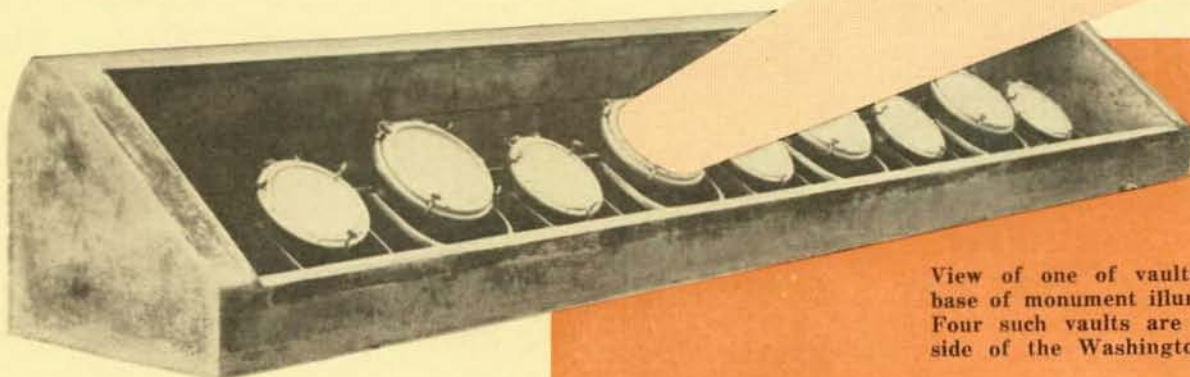
Workman peers from hole cut in top of monument which is needed for light installation.



A view up the side of tall shaft during remodelling of lights; note lofty scaffold.

ONE of the best known, best loved and most visited points of interest in the entire world is the Washington Monument, located in the Nation's Capital. More than 100 years ago, on July 4, 1848, to be exact, some 20,000 people gathered on a rise overlooking the Potomac in the city of Washington. The occasion—the laying of the 24,500 pound marble cornerstone of a monument begun by the Washington National Monument Society, to honor George Washington. The silver trowel wielded by Benjamin B. French, Grand Master Mason on that July day, was the same used by Washington himself in laying the cornerstone for the Capitol 55 years before.

The monument was not completed until December 6, 1884 when the 55-foot pyramidion atop the 500-foot shaft was ready for its capstone. On that date Colonel



View of one of vaults giving base of monument illumination. Four such vaults are on each side of the Washington shaft.

MONUMENT



These lights illuminate base of monument. Three groups of lamps, balanced in intensity, give even light.

Thomas Lincoln Casey of the War Department's Corps of Engineers, which had taken over the completion of the monument after many delays, gave the signal which put in place a 100-ounce aluminum capstone. At that time this capstone was the largest piece of aluminum ever cast and it had been designed for the then world's tallest piece of masonry.

On Saturday, February 21, 1885 President Arthur dedicated the monument "to the immortal name and memory of George Washington."

And so the monument has been admired and revered and visited by more than 23 million people since its dedication over 70 years ago.

Now to quote a colloquialism, "something has been added" and
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Left: These powerful spotlights are aimed at very top of the monument to give light to the cone.

Right: The completed lighting seen from Lincoln Memorial, Reflecting Pool in the foreground.



EDITORIAL

By GORDON M. FREEMAN, *Editor*

Our Twenty-Sixth Convention

In approximately five months the Twenty-Sixth Convention of our Brotherhood will be convening in Cleveland, Ohio. As your *Journal* went to press, International Secretary Joseph Keenan was preparing to send credentials out to our local unions. The Convention will be a large one. Although by our referendum of 1955, our membership voted to cut down the number of delegates eligible to represent their locals at International Conventions, because of the growth of our membership, credentials will be sent out for some 2800 delegates. Of course, a few of our locals may not send their full complement, but the Convention is still bound to be a very large one.

We hope that it will be a large Convention and a good Convention. We intend to see that it is as pleasant, as well-managed and as democratic as it is within our power to make it.

Our Convention is the final, the ultimate in our steps of union procedure for keeping our Brotherhood running efficiently honestly, democratically.

We hope our locals will choose their delegates with thought and care, and that they will send serious-minded representatives to the Convention, delegates with one purpose in mind, the welfare of all the 750,000 members of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers.

We are looking forward to this Convention. We live in an ever-changing world and we are a part of the fastest-growing, most progressive industry in that world. Electricity is going forward and we of the IBEW are going forward with it. Through all the years of our history, the blueprints for our progress have been mapped out at our International Conventions. This year, 1958, presents a new challenge and new fields to conquer. We are counting on our Twenty-Sixth Convention and the elected delegates from all our locals to that Convention, to help us to plan for the great growth and progress which we know lies ahead for our great industry and our great union.

About Our Label

On the twenty-fifth of April, in the city of Cincinnati, the IBEW is going to participate in the AFL-CIO Union Label Trades Department's great 20th

anniversary show which is expected to be the department's biggest and best.

It was back in 1905 that the IBEW first adopted its union label as we know it today, and it has been used in all the years between.

But we wonder if many of our members of today know *why* the union label came into being—if they are familiar with the story behind the story. As many of our members know, from reading our history and that of other members of organized labor, labor unions were born in difficulty and pain, due to the constant efforts of anti-laborites to stamp them out.

In the early days, there was only one way for labor unions and labor unionists to exist. How? By placing their union label on the products which they made and depending on their fellow union members in every trade to respect and demand it. And labor unionists followed through.

Many remember reading of the famous Danbury Hatters' case. It was only through demand by AFL unionists for the union label in the hats they wore, and rejection of those made by scab labor, that the Hatters union was able to survive. And that story was repeated many times over in the case of the Garment Workers and the Cigar Makers, and in our own case in the electrical manufacturing field.

And did you know that in the early days some of our leaders went to jail because they refused to install wire and cable and fixtures on their union jobs unless the equipment bore the union label, and this action was regarded as restraint of trade.

Friends, the going wasn't easy in those early days, but staunch union men persevered and won for their respective unions recognition and security.

We recall this fact to mind today because the anti-labor climate in which we live and try to operate at the present time is reminiscent of those bitter days of the gay nineties and the era just after World War I.

Today in "Right-to-Work" states, unions could be completely destroyed because their right to a union shop has been abolished. BUT, union labor has one very big and very strong trump card—the union label. A real demand for the union label on the goods we use and insistence on union services, can keep our unions strong in spite of any laws passed to destroy them.

The same union label exists today as it did 50 years ago. And the same insistent need exists for its use. Let us one and all bear this in mind.

We Are One Family

Three years ago, a gentleman named Edward Steichen, assembled what was perhaps the greatest photographic exhibition of all time, for the Museum of Modern Art. The subject matter of his collection ranged from babies to philosophers, from the kindergarten to the university, from primitive peoples to the Councils of the United Nations. Mr. Steichen called his exhibit "The Family of Man."

The spirit created in that photographic collection is one that this weary, atom bomb-terrified old world should certainly take to heart today.

Men and women are the same the world over. They are born, they live and laugh and love, they suffer and they die. The primitive savage in his jungle, the tycoon on Wall Street, the man digging ditches, the professor instructing his class in philosophy, basically are all alike. Each wants to live, each wants some of the pleasures of life, each wants to be able to take care of his family in reasonable security.

Writer Carl Sandburg puts it this way:

"People! flung wide and far, born into toil, struggle, blood and dreams, among lovers, eaters, drinkers, workers, loafers, fighters, players, gamblers. Here are ironworkers, bridgemen, musicians, sandhogs, miners, builders of huts and skyscrapers, jungle hunters, landlords, and the landless, the loved and the unloved, the lovely and abandoned, the brutal and the compassionate—one big family hugging close to the ball of Earth for its life and being."

Sandburg is a poet and can put feeling and beauty into words. However, in our own inadequate way here in our *Journal*, we would like to ask our members to try to consider the peoples in this world of ours as one family. Then we will not complain when foreign aid is given to starving peoples in other countries who need it so desperately. We will not be callous and uncaring when our brother is out of work, even though we have a job.

We will not sit smug in our comfortable homes while others live in hovels.

It seems to me that unionists, who have banded together to "help each other in sickness and distress" should be most keenly aware of their membership in the "Family of Man."

Perhaps this editorial waxes somewhat philosophic. It is not meant to do that. It is intended to make each of us a little more interested in our fellow man, both here and abroad. If each of us assumes the proper attitude for the striving for world peace, for the economic security of all men, for freedom and justice for all peoples, beginning here at home and stretching to the frontiers of the world, we will have taken a huge step in the right direction. Remember every journey starts with one step. What we as individuals can do is definitely limited, but all progress begins somewhere. Progress can begin with us and spread to others.

Cost of Living Boosts

Every month we read in our newspapers where the cost of living has risen again. Sometimes the amount of increase seems small .8 percent or .9 percent. Some of us are inclined to pass these figures over lightly as being too small for grave concern. However, let's take a look at what the overall cost of living rise did to working families last year. A study was made in a typical community—the area studied was in the city of San Francisco and the results proved that the boost in cost of living 1957 over 1956, last year, deprived workers in that area of between \$240 and \$350 in hard cash.

That is a considerable sum of money to any family. It is a tremendous sum to families in the low-income brackets, hardest hit by cost-of-living increases, since food was one of the items most affected by the rise in cost of living.

A figure between \$240 and \$350 is only a statistic, but to a low income or even a middle income family, it is a vital, important item. It might mean a family uncomfortable in a cold house because the budget doesn't allow enough for sufficient fuel. It might mean children handicapped for life because they do not receive proper nourishment as infants. A figure like \$300 might be just a not-too-large sum of money to some people, but to others it means wearing shoes with holes in them, coats that are too thin, doing laundry by hand because there is no washing machine, children on the street or at the neighbors because their parents can't afford a TV set. It means a thousand mundane things to as many people.

And what has all this to do with us? It means we have got to continue to keep wages at a high level, pressing for increases in our collective bargaining sessions. It means we have got to keep after our Government to do something to alleviate the unemployment picture and to take measures to help working people, so that they can continue to live, and enjoy to some measure the high standards of living which we as Americans speak of with such pride.

The Fulbright Bill

Recently the officers of your Brotherhood submitted testimony to the Senate Committee on Banking and Currency. Our testimony strongly endorsed the bill of Senator Fulbright (S.3497) to increase to two billion dollars the funds available as loans to local communities for the construction of needed community facilities.

We want our members to know of our support for this bill so that they likewise may give it support.

This year 1958 is a crucial one. We earnestly urge our members to keep abreast of the times, be aware of the issues which so keenly affect all working people, keep in contact with your Senators and Representatives, and vote in every election.

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE NEWSLETTERS



Following are excerpts from our current Newsletters to Local Unions.

We want to notify our members of the dates for the big AFL-CIO Union Industries Show which is to be held in Cincinnati, Ohio, this year. They are April 25-30.

The IBEW is planning to participate with what we hope will be our most attractive display to date. We will bring you details later. Meanwhile, we hope our members in Cincinnati and surrounding areas and any members planning spring vacation trips will keep the show in mind.

A new International Representative has been added to the I. O. staff. She is Mrs. Glatys Harsin of L. U. 1285, Tampa, Florida. She will work in the Telephone organizing field under Director of Telephone Operations Morris Murphy.

We now bring you reports from our organizing efforts around the country.

At Beckley Manufacturing Company (Electronics plant) Beckley, West Virginia, the NLRB election results were as follows:

For IBEW—221

Against IBEW—93

Representatives J. M. Parker and C. E. Wallace were in charge of this campaign.

At Bridgeport, Connecticut, Representative Bart P. Saunders reports an election won unanimously by the IBEW at the Hotpoint Appliance Company.

Representative F. W. Adams reports the winning of an election for Traffic Department employees of the Virginia Telephone and Telegraph Company, Blackstone, Vir-

ginia. This leaves only one of the Company's exchanges unorganized. (South Boston, Virginia.)

At Peoples Co-op REA at Rochester, Minnesota, Representative James P. Conway reports a unanimous election for the IBEW.

Representative Orrie Babish reports IBEW election victory at the West Virginia Pulp and Paper Company—Tyrone plant.

We bring you some random notes of negotiations around the country.

Negotiations at the Public Service Company of New Hampshire resulted in a 10-cent per hour increase in wages for first and second class linemen, trouble men and first and second class cable splicers. This increase was prior to the general 7 percent across-the-board increase.

In negotiations between the Utility Board, City of Springfield and L. U. 453, a wage increase of 5.7 percent plus an additional \$5.00 per month for employees of the Gas Department was negotiated.

L. U. 1499 of Chelsea, Massachusetts, and the A. L. Smith Company, fixture manufacturers, have signed their agreement providing for a 5 percent increase retroactive to October 1, 1957. Another 5 percent increase will go into effect June 16, 1958. The agreement also provides for a new holiday with pay, additional vacation pay after 10 years and increased sickness and accident pay.

An agreement was approved recently between Local Union No. 1275 and the Southern Electronics Equipment, Inc. of Memphis, Ten-

nessee, which covers installation of closed circuit television, multiple outlet antenna systems as well as industrial electronic work.

Representative Taylor L. Blair, Jr., calls attention to the fact that this is one of the first companies in the mid-south area equipped to handle such installations, that has been signed by an IBEW local union.

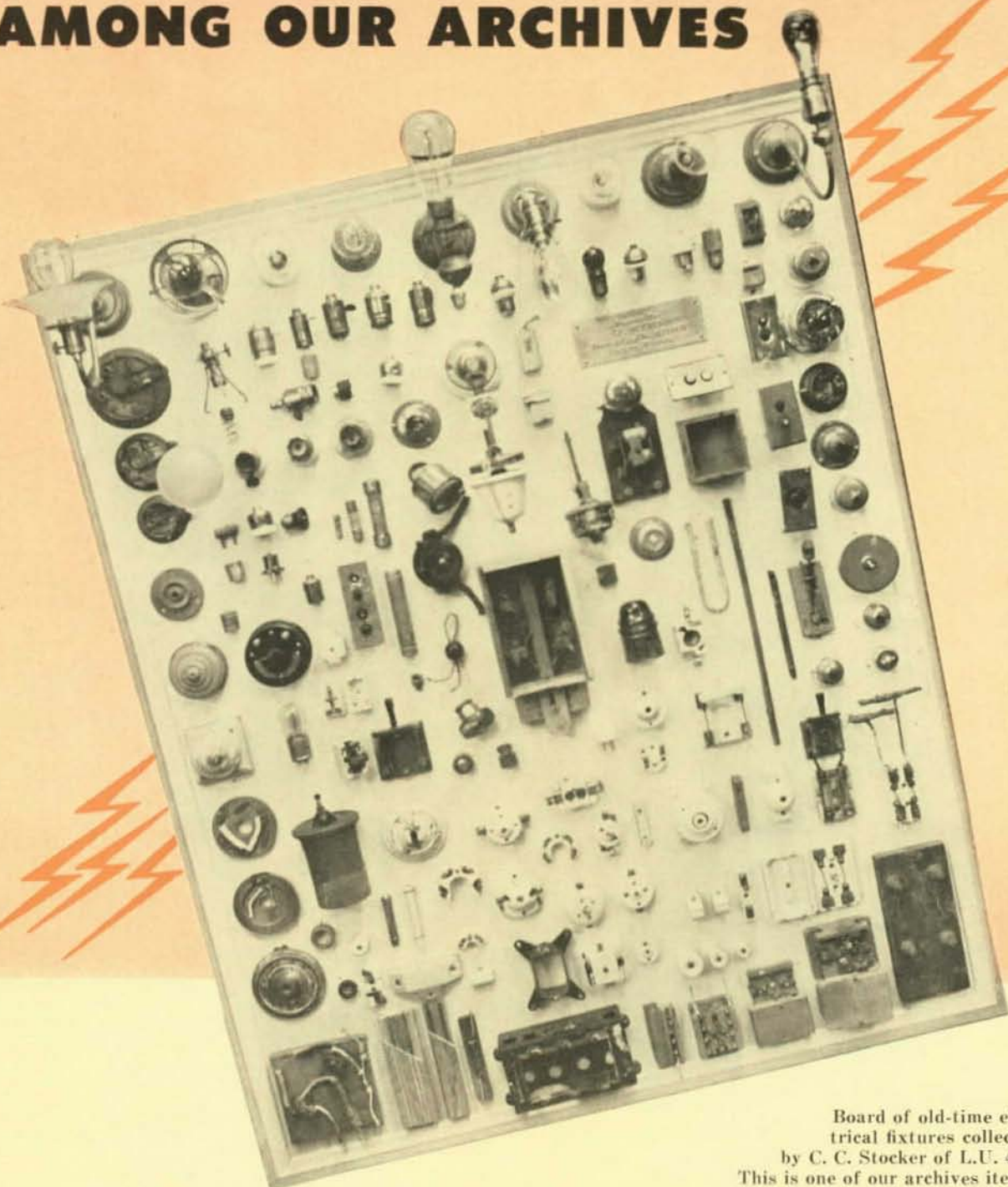
He advises that they are available to handle this type of work over a wide section of the south should any local union be interested in having them undertake such work.

L. U. 1505, Waltham, Massachusetts, and its employer, Raytheon Manufacturing Company, have set up an agreement for training apprentices in electronics. The program is for a four-year period consisting of 8,000 hours of progressive training on the job and 1,400 hours of related classroom study.

Graduates of the program are then eligible for the electronic technical evening program conducted at local universities, their credits to apply toward an associate degree in electronic engineering.

Some states and counties have spared no effort in their attempts to halt union organizing. It was gratifying then to learn of the recent decision of the United States Supreme Court which held unconstitutional a local ordinance of the town of Baxley, Georgia. The cited ordinance required union organizers to buy a town license, at an annual fee of \$2,000 for each organizer and also a payment of \$500 for each member signed up.

AMONG OUR ARCHIVES



Board of old-time electrical fixtures collected by C. C. Stocker of L.U. 415. This is one of our archives items.

VISITORS to the International Office are invariably interested in a board mounted with old electrical materials and equipment, on display in a corner of the JOURNAL Department. This corner has been set aside for a small portion of the material IBEW has been gathering in recent years to build an Archives collection. A photo of that display board is reproduced for our readers here.

The board was prepared by Mr. Claude C. Stocker of L. U. 415, Cheyenne, Wyoming, whose hobby is collecting old electrical equipment and materials. Brother Stocker has been a journeyman wireman for nearly 40 years. He has seen many changes in wiring methods during those four decades. Brother Stocker has told us that his home city of Cheyenne was among the first in the country to

have electric lights. In those early days, the materials, devices and fixtures available for installation of an electrical system were quite primitive when measured against the equipment of today.

As electrical installations were modernized in Cheyenne, Brother Stocker began to gather choice specimens of discard items being removed from use. Then some

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HOW TWO OF OUR LOCALS

MONTH after month here in the pages of your JOURNAL, we continue to make appeals to our members to become aware of what is going on around them, to become alert to the very real danger that the "Right-to-Work" laws present to the entire labor movement and to the security of the working men and women of our nation.

The very best way in which union members can protect themselves and their families and preserve their standards of living is by becoming politically conscious—by working for, and voting for those legislators who will be fair to labor. Labor asks no favors but it does ask for justice. It can get justice if every member and members of his family will make themselves felt at the ballot box, come every election day. It can further insure a "fair shake" for working people by giving active support to COPE, the AFL-CIO educational organ that gets the facts to the public.

Locals Do Excellent Job

We are very proud of the efforts of many of our local union officers and members in their support of the AFL-CIO's program of political action. We feel that some of our IBEW locals have done an outstanding job in this regard. We should like to bring to your attention two examples.

L. U. 477, San Bernardino, California, aware of the great need for financial contributions to the work of COPE, was not satisfied to collect a single membership dollar from each L. U. 477 member. It inaugurated the "Buck-of-the-Month" Club whereby members contribute not a yearly dollar, but a dollar every month for the work of COPE.

In 1957, a total of \$2,364 was collected for COPE by L. U. 477. This year, Business Manager Jack Carney and his co-workers got started early. By February 15, they had 100 percent subscription



International President Gordon Freeman gets circuit tester from Business Manager Jack Carney of L.U. 477. Instruments are being used as part of the incentive program of the San Bernardino local.

to COPE—that is, *every* member of the local had contributed at least a dollar. Most of the members were pledged to a monthly dollar in the "Buck-of-the-Month" plan. As an added incentive, Local 477 is presenting "pole finders," a pocket instrument for testing AC and DC current to paid-up subscribers to the "Buck-of-the-Month" Club.

The other example which we wish to bring to your attention this month is the action of L. U. 1710, Los Angeles, California.

In response to appeals from AFL-CIO and IBEW headquarters, L. U. 1710, back in November, formed a COPE Committee. The following members were selected to serve on it: William Shainak, chairman, Aleade J. Hubbard, secretary, Roach McKinney, Albert H. Leonard, L. Harrison, Blanche Kneller, Sol Simcoe, Z. W. Frausto, Jay Bemis, Jr., Peter King, Simon Mirkinson, William Turnbow.

L. U. 1710 Registers Many

The committee has been extremely active since its formation. It immediately organized a "polit-

ical education evening" and engaged George Roberts, area COPE director, as guest speaker. Each issue of *Contact*, monthly publication of L. U. 1710, has contained important news of political activity.

Underway at present is "Project Registration." The ways and means which L. U. 1710 is using to get every member registered are brought to you here in the hope that other locals may receive helpful suggestions from them.

L. U. 1710 writes:

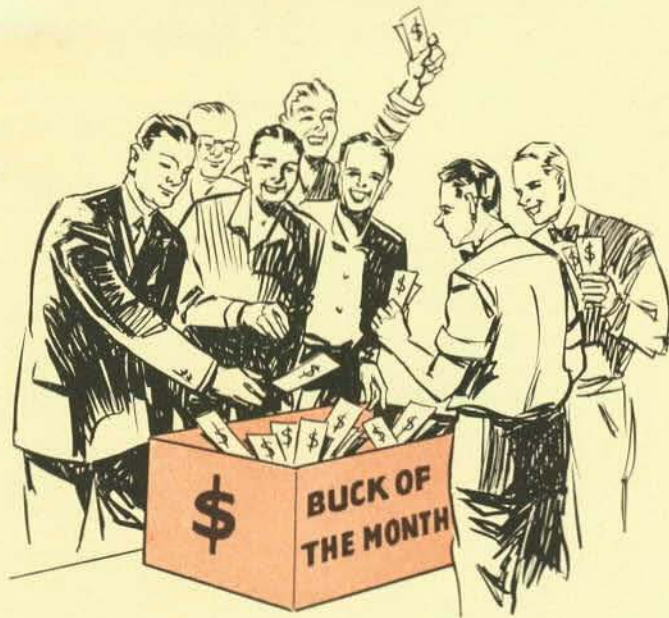
The first phase of "project registration" is about completed. This phase consisted of:

1. The chief shop steward of every plant under contract with Local Union 1710 was given a list of all the names of the workers and instructed to check each name and ascertain the individual's status in regard to registration. This information was noted on the list and returned to our office. (These lists, we are happy to note, are coming in satisfactorily. Unfortunately, only about 30

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percent seem to be registered.)

2. We are now in the process of initiating the next phase of this project. We have contacted the chief registrar of voters and he consented to make available to us, the names of all the deputy registrars of voters living in the vicinity where our plants are located.
3. We intend to request permission from the employers to permit a registrar of voters to visit the plant at certain times convenient to them in order to register those who are eligible to vote in the coming primaries.
4. Five of our business agents have made applications for appointments to the office of deputy registrars, to facilitate the process of registration.
5. In addition, we expect some members of the COPE Committee to help in the registration in their own communities as the need arises.



6. All staff members, officers and office employees have gone on a monthly payroll-deduction for COPE, which is to continue for the next 10 months. (A check for COPE will be forwarded to your office within the next 10 days.)
7. At our next Stewards' Educational meeting, scheduled for Friday, February 21st, we shall distribute the COPE DOLLAR BOOKS, and urge all stewards to get the COPE dollar drive under way.

At an average of fifteen individuals to each local, (officers and full-time employees), each making a monthly contribution of only \$1.00, we could net a sum of \$300,000 in 10 months.

$$\begin{aligned}
 &2,000 \text{ (locals)} \times 15 \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{officers and} \\ \text{employees} \end{array} \right\} \\
 &= 30,000 \times 10 \text{ months} = 300,000 \\
 &\$1.00 \times 300,000 = \$300,000.
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Fight Unionism's Enemies

"I wish to assure you, that we in Local Union 1710 are very much alert to the dangers inherent in the political campaign now under way. We do not underestimate our responsibilities. We shall do our utmost in bringing information and education to the members who, in the last analysis, are the only force that can sustain us in this struggle with our enemies—who are determined to weaken the trade union movement."

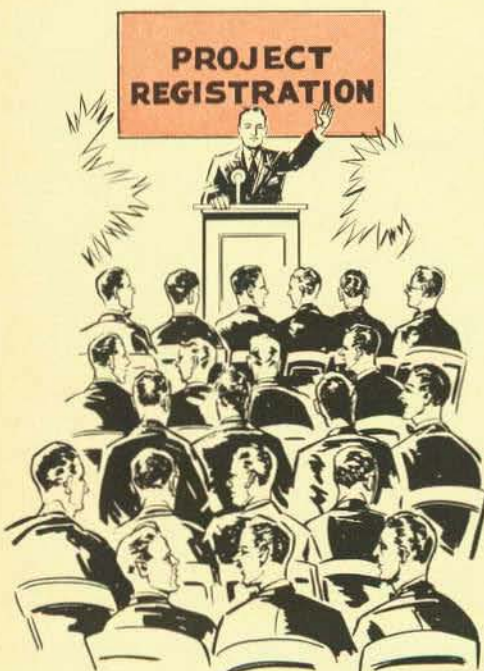
We wish to compliment both L. U. 477 and L. U. 1710 for their foresighted efforts for the good of the labor movement and the country as a whole. We hope more locals will follow suit and will let us know of their efforts.

Brother William Shainak who sent us the above information has made a further suggestion which we also pass on to our members.

"International Representative Chuck Hughes and I discussed the crucial matter of finances for COPE and we agreed to submit this idea for your kind consideration.

Voluntary Wage Deductions

"Suppose each of our local unions—2,000—would adopt our voluntary monthly deduction program, towards helping to sustain the political campaigns for 1958?



"Right-To-Work"

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499 appeared at the polling place and voted for the union shop, the vote would be 501 to 499 against the union shop because it was *presumed* people who did not vote, would have voted against the union shop.

In spite of such limitations, the workers proved in the elections, that they wanted union security. In the years from 1947 to 1951 the Government conducted secret ballot elections to find that the working people approved union security in 97 percent of these 46,119 elections.

There were 6,542,564 workers eligible to vote in these elections and 5,547,478 valid ballots were cast. Of these valid ballots, 91 percent were cast for union security.

Faced with these facts, the section of the Taft-Hartley law which required those Government elections of the union security issue was repealed in 1951. Senator Taft himself concluded these elections were a waste of Government money expended only to "prove" the obvious.

Although the workers of the country were proving they wanted union security the opponents of organized labor were busily using section 14 (b) of the Taft-Hartley Act to accomplish piecemeal what they had been unable to do as a whole. They had formed a National Right-To-Work Committee with Fred Hartley, co-sponsor of the Taft-Hartley Act, as its head, and the campaign was well underway to pass "Right-to-Work" laws in each separate state, with the end result of having the union shop outlawed nationwide.

To date the "Right-to-Work" bill has been placed in effect in 18 states, most of them in the Southern and Western sections of the country, but now the national committee is concentrating on the Midwest. Having been successful in Indiana last year, Ohio and Michigan have been selected as the next prime targets on the agenda.

Therefore, it behooves all of us, every voter in the State of Ohio, and in every state where there is

an attempt to force "Right-to-Work" on the people, to examine this "Trojan Horse"—this so-called "Right-to-Work" act and see what it contains.

Let's take a look at the misleading name or slogan adopted by the union-busting organizations for this act—"Right-to-Work." I would like to quote Secretary of Labor James P. Mitchell who stated the following in 1954—"In the first place they (Right-to-Work laws) do not create any jobs at all. In the second place, they result in undesirable and unnecessary limitations on the freedom of working men and women and their employers to bargain collectively and agree upon conditions of work.

"Thirdly, they restrict union security and therefore undermine the basic strength of labor organization."

High Sounding Title

As Secretary Mitchell so aptly pointed out in 1954, although the term "Right-to-Work" is a high sounding title, it guarantees no work and the only "rights" it grants are actually limitations—for the union.

Ideas and propositions like this false right-to-work theory don't come out of thin air. They come from people with a purpose, and are carried out by hired hands, and by people who hate labor unions and what they stand for, and by certain others who have been misled into thinking that by backing the "Right-to-Work" act they are defending their civil liberties.

The assignment for these "hired hands" is to destroy in individuals the right to collective bargaining. In accomplishing this, these employer groups become a "union shop composed of employers."

What this false term "Right-to-Work" means then is you have the right to work at the terms set by a union shop of employers. But since this is a free country, you also have the right to starve if you don't like their terms.

Actually, after all the window dressing and misleading terms are removed from this act, it is easy for any intelligent person to see that the real aim of this campaign,

although its proponents pretend to be interested in protecting the individual worker's rights, is in reality a plan to destroy unions by making them ineffective, by outlawing all forms of the union shop.

"Right-to-Work" legislation is the new attack on collective bargaining. It is simply a new language for an old, old conflict between the working people of this country who have repeatedly signified that they wish the protection of collective bargaining, and employers, grouped in their own unions, who have signified, equally clearly, that they wish to eliminate collective bargaining and return to the individual bargaining of bygone days when each worker was on his own. If he or she did not agree with the employer on wages or working conditions, they had the "right" to pick up their lunch pails and go home.

We of the Hoeking Valley Labor Council and Ohio State Electrical Utility Board urge that when you are confronted with this so-called "Right-to-Work" act, this "Trojan Horse," that is not what it seems to be, to ask yourself this question: "Do you wish to continue collective bargaining as it has developed through our history or do you wish to return to the individual bargaining of prior generations?"

In closing, I would like to remind you that "Right-to-Work" laws provide no "work"—neither do they provide any rights. The major products of such legislation are sub-standard wages and poor working conditions.

For these reasons, the workers of Ohio and their families, friends and neighbors must prevent passage of such an act in the State of Ohio, and do everything within our power to help our fellow workers in other states who have fallen under the shadow of this infamous act, to regain their union security by working for the repeal of Section 14 (b) of the Taft-Hartley Act.

After giving all these facts careful consideration, I hasten to warn you again—"Beware of the Trojan Horse—1958 Model."



Peg Long, KPEG disc jockey, won a Paul White-man singing award before joining the all-girl Spokane radio station about eight months ago.

All four girls are named Peg at KPEG. This is Peg Frank, who started her career as a copy writer but decided she would rather read than write. All four girls are members of Local 77.



The **All** Girl Station

Right: Peg Snyder was a founder of the all-girl station along with Peg Frank. The programs of the station feature recordings of "sweet swing."



Below: Newcomer is Peg Warner, at KPEG only four months. She previously had her own radio show from an Idaho station.



"**P**RETTY, perky pioneers" is a term particularly apropos in describing the IBEW gals who run Station KPEG in Spokane, Washington. The International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers boasts some 18,000 members in the great Northwest. And in this section of the country membership inclines sharply toward the masculine gender. However, set down in the midst of the male throng is one little segment forever feminine—Radio Station KPEG run by four members of L.U. 77, all girls and all named "Peg." These four girl disc jockeys spin records and observe a "sweet music" policy.

The all-girl station is a new venture in the Northwest and one that shows every sign of signal success! The "Pegs" are winsome creatures abounding in talent and charm and each "Peg" possesses the important qualification of Shakespeare's oft repeated quote concerning a "... soft voice."

KPEG stresses easy-to-listen-to
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Legislative Conference

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He outlined a program of government action aimed at stimulating employment and putting purchasing power "in the hands of working people who spend their earnings in the market-places," and not disbursing money "as dividends for high-paid executives."

Mr. Meany specifically called for Federal housing, school, road and hospital construction programs as sources of new jobs which particularly would benefit building trades workers.

He stated "Your industry is a good place to start. This is a good industry to lead the way and get this country behind us on the road out of this recession."

Mr. Meany injected a note of humor into his very serious remarks when he said that he had never really worried about the economic situation until recently.

"Then I read a speech by former President Herbert Hoover saying things were going to be all right," he explained. "That's when I really started to worry."

President Meany also called for a boost in the minimum wage to \$1.25 an hour, a program of government loans to small business, a tax cut for low income tax payers, and increased unemployment compensation.

Other speakers to address the conference included our IBEW General Counsel Louis Sherman who gave an excellent address on "Taft-Hartley Act Amendments, Including Proposals Relating to Union Democracy." Delegates in attendance reported his discussion of the T-H amendments as being most enlightening and instructive.

Research Director for the Plumbers and Pipefitters International Association, Charles Donahue, analyzed the effects of proposed amendments to the Davis-Bacon Act.

General Counsel Vincent Moreale of the Hod Carriers and Laborers Union discussed the administration of the Taft-Hartley Act by the Eisenhower-appointed National Labor Relations Board, and

Martin F. O'Donoghue talked on income tax exemption for travel and living expenses of building trades workers.

AFL-CIO Legislative Director Andrew J. Biemiller was also on the program and he advocated in his talk, strong support for the plan of action outlined by AFL-CIO President George Meany in his address.

The conference was chaired by Richard J. Gray, president of the Building and Construction Trades Department of the AFL-CIO. The department's legislative goals include expanded programs of slum clearance and housing; school and hospital construction; modernization of the Davis-Bacon Act, which governs prevailing wages; five amendments to the Taft-Hartley Act concerning union security and apprenticeship programs, expansion of unemployment compensation and increased benefits; and broader coverage of the minimum wage provisions of the Wage Hour Act.

The Building Trades conference was followed by another conference the following week, called by the AFL-CIO and having for its theme "Put America Back to Work."

This three-day emergency economic conference opened March 11 at the Sheraton Park Hotel. It was attended by more than 1,000 trade union leaders from all over the United States.

In a stirring keynote address AFL-CIO President George Meany called on President Eisenhower and the 85th Congress to stop talking and provide action to put the American economy back on its feet.

Mr. Meany gave a hard-hitting speech and followed it up with a straightforward letter to President Eisenhower which he delivered in person to the President.

Before stating the AFL-CIO program in his letter, Mr. Meany pointed out:

"Today, Mr. President, there are twice as many unemployed workers as there are inhabitants of the entire city of Philadelphia, or, for that matter, there are as many unemployed as the total population of the states of Wyoming, Vermont, Utah, South Dakota, Rhode

Island, North Dakota, New Mexico, New Hampshire and Nevada."

In both his keynote speech and his letter to the President, Mr. Meany outlined a broad four-point program.

1. Meany declared that the Number One job was "putting cash into the pockets of the people so that they can spend it without delay." To accomplish this, he called for a "cut in taxes which will immediately pump new purchasing power into the economy." To do this he called for an increase in personal exemption from the present \$600 to \$700 or even higher than \$700 if necessary.

2. The Number Two priority measure, Meany declared, is the Kennedy-McCarthy bill which would establish Federal standards of unemployment compensation. Meany pointed out that not a single state had listened to the President's call for raising benefits to at least one half of lost wages. The Kennedy-McCarthy bill would "right this wrong" and would put new purchasing power into the hands of the jobless by raising benefits.

3. In the Number Three spot, Meany put an increase in defense spending which will strengthen America's defenses against Communist threats. "Budget-balancing and penny-pinching" are not the answer to the Russians, Meany said. What is needed is a "military posture consistent with our abilities, not with our fears."

4. And, finally, Meany called for a sweeping public works program in housing, school construction, road building, hospital and airport construction that would not be "leaf-raking" but would add to the country's wealth.

In addition, Meany called for a boost in the minimum wage to \$1.25 and improvements in social security.

At the same time he called for aggressive collective bargaining that would add to the buying power of workers.

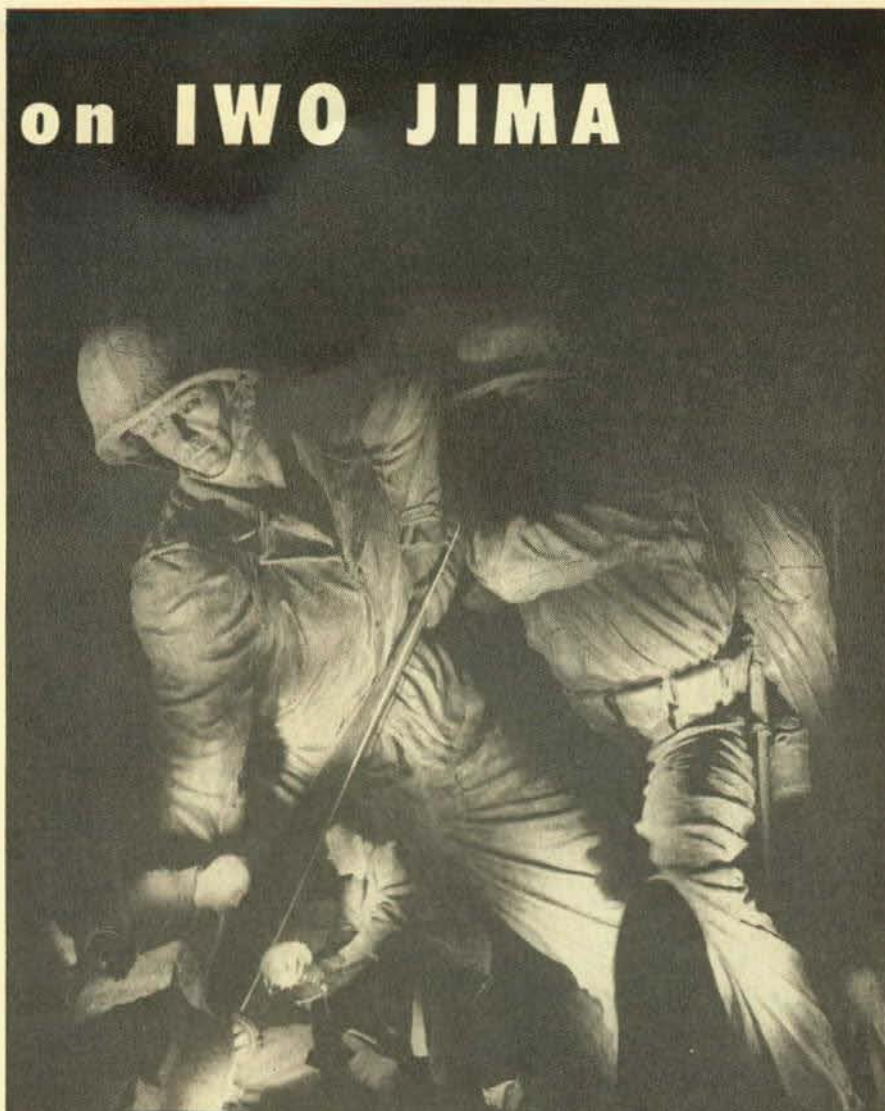
"When you go into collective bargaining with your employers, don't let anyone tell you that this is the time to hold the line on wages."

SPOTLIGHT on IWO JIMA

JUST recently spotlights have been installed around the famous Iwo Jima monument which for the past four years has been a familiar part of the national capital panorama. A four-times life size reproduction in bronze of that dramatic moment on February 23, 1945 when five marines and a sailor raised the American flag on Mount Suribachi, it stands on a 14-acre plot near Arlington cemetery across the Arlington Memorial Bridge from the Lincoln Memorial.

This famous Marine Corps War Memorial, a gift to the nation from the Corps, was dedicated on the 179th birthday of that branch of the service (November 10, 1954) "In honor and in memory of the men of the U.S. Marine Corps who have given their lives to their country since 1775." Around the base

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Workmen are shown above as they placed lights on the famed Iwo Jima monument which stands outside Washington, D.C. near Arlington National Cemetery.



Left: A daytime view of the monument looking toward Washington across the Potomac. Visible are Lincoln Memorial, Washington Monument and Capitol.

With the Ladies



Oscars for Home Makers

AS your *Journal* went to press, the National Academy of Motion Pictures had just concluded another Oscar presentation ceremony. It was interesting, and it awakened a few thoughts on imaginary Oscars for homemakers which I thought I would pass on to you.

There is hardly one of us, grown women that we be, who does not still daydream a little, and as we watched the Oscar show on TV or read about it in the paper, did not imagine what it would be like to be up there in the limelight receiving an award for best actress, best supporting role, or best director or designer of the year. It's fun to dream, but it's also fun to put our dreams to good use. And I was thinking how daily, women all over the world deserve Oscars for everyday performance of their duties as wives and mothers, and how if we work at it, we can be even more deserving. Let's take a few examples and maybe you can read yourself into them.

Best Performance for An Actress

Remember the arithmetic problem presented to the little boy in school. The teacher said, "Suppose there are six children and your mother and father in your family. You have a little pie. How would you cut it so everyone would have a piece?"

Little Johnny speaks up and says, "In seven pieces."

"But, Johnny," says the teacher, "a

mother and father and six children makes eight people!"

"I know, teacher," says Johnny, "but if it's just a little pie, my mother would say she didn't want any!"

In this vein every week mothers are asked to give acting performances, sometimes worthy of an Academy Award.

Take the case of Mary Brown.

Mary had been saving for weeks, inching and pinching a dime here, a nickel there for a new hat and dress for Easter, and goodness knows she needed them.

Along comes teen-age daughter, Dorothy, eyes shining like stars, face aglow with the joy of her first big date.

"Oh Mother," she practically explodes, "guess what! Tim asked me to the Junior prom. Isn't it wonderful? And me only a sophomore!"

And then, the return to stark reality, the agony, the pain, that can only come to the very young with each minor crisis. "Mother, what will I wear? I don't have an evening dress!"

And then comes Mary's Academy Award performance. "Don't worry, darling, I have a little money saved up. We'll go Saturday and find a lovely party dress for you."

"But Mother, that was the money you were saving for your dress and hat!"

"Oh don't worry about that honey! I don't really need new ones. I can get them later."

Mary smiles reassuringly, as she shudders inwardly at the thought of going to her high school reunion in her four-year old Bemberg sheer and her lop-sided sailor.

That, lady, is an acting performance that merits an Oscar.

Haven't you also given outstanding performances in similar roles?

Actress in a Supporting Role

Or maybe your big moment comes for your casting in a supporting role.

Your husband comes home, tired unto death, discouraged unto his very soul. Bill Jones got the promotion that rightfully should have been his. He is "a failure, doesn't see how he can go on." You come to the front and play the best supporting role of

your career. You tell him how much he is worth to you and the children. How much smarter and more competent he is than Bill Jones, being careful all the while not to build up his resentment of Jones. You assure him there will be other good jobs opening up and he's sure to get the next one.

Then you smile and fix his favorite supper, turn on his favorite television program and show him that he's the most wonderful, the most important man in your whole world.



Inside the disappointment sizzles, the more money you had counted on to get the roof fixed and a new vacuum cleaner, and Kathy's teeth straightened, vanishes into thin air, but on the outside you are calm, cool, collected and comforting.

Lady, no one deserves an Oscar for the best supporting role by an actress more than you!

Oscar for Design

Some of the academy awards go to fashion designers for the glamorous fashions they create for various roles. But I think the gals who deserve the awards are these:

Lucy Thomas, for putting a new white collar on her old Navy blue dress and a fresh white gardenia on her three-year old hat and looking



"the grandest lady in the Easter Parade" come Easter morning.

Jane Lawrence, for making hit parade skirts and bolero jackets for her twin daughters out of an old suit of their father's. That kind of designing, really takes doing!

Helen Lewis, for taking old sheets and dying them bright red for curtains, making slip covers out of bargain chintz, painting furniture, building furniture, hanging pictures, making lamps, to the end that she made a hideous old barn of a room, into a bright "thing of beauty and a joy forever!"

And last but certainly not least, to Judith Carroll, for taking a tough piece of meat, some carrots, onions and seasonings and turning out a roast that would make Oscar of the Waldorf want to give her an Oscar!

Ladies, you may not know it, but many of you are designers of Academy stature!

Then There's Directing

All the awards haven't been given yet. What about directing?

All the director for "Bridge on the River Kwai" had to do was to see that some of the best actors in the world, supported by the best scenery and equipment money could buy, correctly interpreted a tremendous story.

There are other jobs of directing that deserve prizes for outstanding performance.

Take the case of Susan Thompson and her case might be yours, or yours, or yours, as you will see.

Susan's house is a mess. Today is the day for washing all the curtains and cleaning all the closets. She'll keep the children playing out of doors, have a pick-up supper and really get a lot accomplished.

It begins to rain. Five children and a dog move indoors. The washing machine breaks down. Susan's brother-in-law calls. Her sister is going to the hospital to have her third baby and will she please keep the other two. Yes, she will. They arrive crying. By that time Susan's own baby

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Welcome Spring

The long winter's over! Welcome spring and let your family know there's been a change of seasons by coming up with a few fresh new dishes on the menu.

DRUMSTICKS

(The kids will love this one)

Set out an 8- or 9-in. heavy skillet.

Mix together lightly

1 lb. ground beef

1 egg, well beaten

¼ cup finely chopped onion

1 teaspoon prepared mustard

½ teaspoon Worcestershire sauce

and a mixture of

1 teaspoon salt

½ teaspoon monosodium glutamate

Few grains pepper

Divide meat mixture into 4 portions. Shape each portion around a 6-in. skewer. Roll each, pressing slightly, in

½ cup fine, dry bread crumbs

Heat in the skillet

3 to 4 tablespoons fat

Place drumsticks in skillet and cook over moderate heat, turning to brown all sides. Continue to cook slowly about 15 min., turning occasionally.

Serve on warm platter or plates. Garnish drumsticks with parsley or slip onto each drumstick

2 or 3 thin green pepper rings.

Four Servings.

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CRUSTY TOMATO HALVES

Rinse and cut into halves crosswise

6 medium-size tomatoes

Spread cut surfaces with a mixture of

2 tablespoons softened butter or margarine

1 teaspoon prepared mustard

Sprinkle with mixture of

½ cup (1 slice) fine, dry bread crumbs

¼ cup (1 oz.) grated Cheddar cheese with crumb mixture

2 tablespoons melted butter or margarine

½ teaspoon salt

¼ teaspoon monosodium glutamate

¼ teaspoon pepper

Place tomatoes, cut-side up, on broiler rack. Set temperature control of range at Broil. Place in broiler with tops of tomatoes about 3 in. from source of heat, 7 to 10 min., or until lightly browned. Six servings.

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LUSCIOUS LEMON TARTS

Prepare and bake pastry for six 3½-in. tarts.

Sift into the top of a double boiler

1½ cups sugar

¼ cup cornstarch

¼ teaspoon salt

Add stirring well

½ cup cold water

Gradually stir in

1 cup boiling water

Stirring gently and constantly, bring starch mixture rapidly to boiling over direct heat and cook for 3 min. Place over simmering water. Cover and cook about 12 min., stirring three or four times. Vigorously stir about 3 tablespoons hot mixture into

3 egg yolks, slightly beaten.

Immediately blend into mixture in double boiler. Cook over simmering water 3 to 5 min. Stir slowly to keep mixture cooking evenly. Remove from heat and blend in

¼ cup lemon juice

2 tablespoons butter or margarine

1½ tablespoons grated lemon peel

Set aside to cool.

Spoon about ½ cup cooled filling into each pastry shell.

Prepare

Meringue

Pile meringue onto cooled filling, being careful to seal to edge.

Bake at 350°F 10 to 15 min., or until meringue is delicately browned. Cool on cooling racks. Six tarts.



Department of RESEARCH and EDUCATION

IBEW Progress In The Construction Industry

THIS month we would like to make a progress report on recent accomplishments in the electrical construction industry. We realize that it is a little early to attempt to analyze our position in the industry, right now, since the bulk of our 1958 construction settlements are yet to be negotiated. Nevertheless, a review of what has been attained in the past year or so may have some value to those who are still to negotiate.

IBEW members have secured many gains in the 15 months since late in 1956. Wages have shown a steady rise and improvements have been received, quite generally, along the lines of major fringe benefits.

Prospects for the electrical construction industry appear to be moderately good, despite the general year-end downturn in our national economy. New construction activity rolled up a record of \$47.3 billion in 1957—three percent above the previous high of \$46.1 billion in 1956. While construction activity has dropped off sharply during the last few months, the volume for January and February 1958, ended two percent greater than for the all-time record period of January—February 1957. Employment in contract construction was down five percent last December over what it had been 12 months earlier, yet the average for the year 1957 was still one percent ahead of the average for 1956. The National Electrical Contractors' Association recently made a forecast of an over-all increase of approximately five percent in total new construction during 1958—barring an unforeseen national

catastrophe. The association estimates a total volume of construction (including new building and modernization and repair activities) at \$67.3 billion for the coming year, as compared with \$64.3 billion in 1957.

ELECTRICAL CONSTRUCTION FORECAST

Corresponding forecasts for the electrical construction industry alone are for \$7.5 billion for 1958 as against \$7.2 billion last year. While, on the

debit side, the construction industry foresees a drop of perhaps nine percent in industrial building, (which represents a high electrical content), it expects offsetting increases in other fields, particularly residential, (which has already started to pick up after a recent dip), and utility.

Spokesmen for the electric utility industry are predicting that sales of electric energy will climb to 607 billion kilowatthours in 1958, or practically seven percent over the 567 bil-

Cost of Living Reaches 15th Peak in 17 Months

CONSUMERS' PRICE INDEX—U. S. AVERAGE

Source: U. S. Department of Labor

Bureau of Labor Statistics

(Average, 1947-1949 = 100)

| Date | | All Items Combined | Food | Apparel | Housing Total | Rent Only |
|-----------|------|--------------------------|-------|---------|------------------|--------------|
| Month | Year | | | | | |
| January | 1949 | 102.7 | 101.4 | 102.7 | 103.6 | 103.3 |
| January | 1950 | 100.6 | 97.0 | 96.7 | 104.4 | 107.5 |
| January | 1951 | 108.6 | 109.9 | 103.8 | 110.4 | 110.6 |
| January | 1952 | 113.1 | 115.0 | 107.0 | 113.9 | 116.0 |
| January | 1953 | 113.9 | 113.1 | 104.6 | 116.4 | 121.1 |
| January | 1954 | 115.2 | 113.1 | 104.9 | 118.8 | 127.8 |
| January | 1955 | 114.3 | 110.6 | 103.3 | 119.6 | 129.5 |
| January | 1956 | 114.6 | 109.2 | 104.1 | 120.6 | 131.4 |
| January | 1957 | 118.2 | 112.8 | 106.4 | 123.8 | 134.2 |
| February | 1957 | 118.7 | 113.6 | 106.1 | 124.5 | 134.2 |
| March | 1957 | 118.9 | 113.2 | 106.8 | 124.9 | 134.4 |
| April | 1957 | 119.3 | 113.8 | 106.5 | 125.2 | 134.5 |
| May | 1957 | 119.6 | 114.6 | 106.5 | 125.3 | 134.7 |
| June | 1957 | 120.2 | 116.2 | 106.6 | 125.5 | 135.0 |
| July | 1957 | 120.8 | 117.4 | 106.5 | 125.5 | 135.2 |
| August | 1957 | 121.0 | 117.9 | 106.6 | 125.7 | 135.4 |
| September | 1957 | 121.1 | 117.0 | 107.3 | 126.3 | 135.7 |
| October | 1957 | 121.1 | 116.4 | 107.7 | 126.6 | 136.0 |
| November | 1957 | 121.6 | 116.0 | 107.9 | 126.8 | 136.3 |
| December | 1957 | 121.6 | 116.1 | 107.6 | 127.0 | 136.7 |
| January | 1958 | 122.3 | 118.2 | 106.9 | 127.1 | 136.8 |

NOTE: Increase in "ALL ITEMS" for past twelve months was 4.1 Index Points or 3.5%.

Paradoxically, UNEMPLOYMENT rose 40.6%.



lionkwh. sold in 1956. Basic underlying growth factors in the electric utility industry continue to make themselves evident. Plans have already been announced in the electric power industry for a \$5 billion expansion program for 1958.

In the field of industrial production it is noted that total national output in 1957 managed to equal that of 1956. While declining in recent months, a rise is anticipated for late spring or early summer.

WAGE GAINS IN INSIDE CONSTRUCTION

Now for a few highlights from some of our late 1956 to 1958 wage gains in the electrical construction industry. There appears to have been a definite trend toward the negotiating of longer-term contracts containing several pay adjustments, generally at yearly or half-yearly intervals. For the sake of simplicity we shall speak in terms of hourly rate adjustments for journeyman wiremen and linemen. Appropriately commensurate adjustments for foremen, cable splicers, apprentices and related workers are assumed. Space limitations will permit mentioning only a few representative changes.

We shall consider first the Inside construction branch of our trade.

In New England our journeyman wiremen in Local Union 99 of Providence, Rhode Island, won an hourly raise from \$3.00 to \$3.20 effective on May 1, 1957. Additional adjustments of 20 cents and 15 cents per hour will go into effect May 1st in 1958 and 1959, respectively, making an over-all advance of 55 cents per hour during our survey period. Also in the East our members in Local Union 5 of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania negotiated two increases of 25 cents and 35 cents, lifting their journeyman rate to \$4.00 on January 1, 1957 and to \$4.35 on May 1, 1958—a total gain of 60 cents per hour over late 1956 rates.

Skipping to the South to Montgomery, Alabama, we note the scale of Local Union 443 going through four successive raises totalling 57½ cents which will bring the rate to \$3.45 on January 1, 1959.

Taking a quick flight to Nevada we find Local Union 401 of Reno procuring a 25-cent increase which raised its rate to \$3.55 an hour on July 4, 1957. Five further adjustments of 10 cents each have been scheduled for January 1 and July 1 in succeeding years through January 1, 1960—a total hourly advance of 75 cents to \$4.05.

On the West Coast a total gain of \$1.05 an hour was obtained in three steps of 55 cents, 25 cents and another 25 cents in Local Union 482 of Eureka, California. This program will advance the rate to \$4.25 by July 1, 1959.



Sacramento, Oakland, Richmond, San Mateo and San Francisco, California, have all negotiated progressive pay plans establishing three increases at six-month intervals totalling 68.7 cents to 70 cents in hourly advances over our 15-month period. Under the Sacramento contract, members of Local Union 340 receive adjustments of 31 cents, 27 cents and 12 cents (totalling 70 cents) and resulting in rates of \$3.67, \$3.94, and \$4.06 effective on July 1, 1957, January 1, 1958, and July 1, 1958. In the four

other cities named, the amounts of the adjustments may differ by a fraction of a cent or so, and the effective dates may be a month off all along the line, but their pay increase plans are basically similar.

In the Dominion of Canada there have also been many impressive wage adjustments extending from the Atlantic to the Pacific. In Toronto, for example, Local Union 353 negotiated a 15-cent raise on July 1, 1957 which brought the hourly scale up from \$2.65 to \$2.80. Next May 1 and November 1 will see additional raises of 10 cents each. A further boost of 25 cents on May 1, 1959 will carry the rate to \$3.25—65 cents higher than the 1956 level. Out in Vancouver, British Columbia two successive increases of 18 cents each were put into effect on April 1 and October 1, 1957. Resulting pay rates were first \$2.81, then \$2.99.

Our Local Unions in Alaska, Locals 1547 of Anchorage, 1533 of Fairbanks, 462 of Juneau and 1548 of Ketchikan, accepted a joint settlement providing a 20-cent adjustment which lifted the rate from \$4.60 to \$4.80 on March 1, 1957.

ADDITIONAL ADJUSTMENTS

| <i>City and Local</i> | <i>Date</i> | <i>Hourly Increase</i> | <i>Wire Rate</i> |
|--------------------------------|-------------|------------------------|------------------|
| Concord, New Hampshire—No. 421 | 7-1-57 | 23¢ | \$2.85 |
| | 10-1-57 | 5¢ | 2.90 |
| | 1-1-58 | 5¢ | 2.95 |
| | 4-1-58 | 5¢ | 3.00 |
| Newburgh, New York—No. 631 | 7-1-57 | 25¢ | 3.75 |
| | 7-1-58 | 25¢ | 4.00 |
| | 8-20-57 | 15¢ | 3.15 |
| Columbus, Georgia—No. 979 | 1-1-58 | 10¢ | 3.25 |
| | 8-20-58 | 5¢ | 3.30 |
| | 4-1-57 | 15¢ | 3.30 |
| Daytona Beach, Fla.—No. 756 | 4-1-58 | 20¢ | 3.50 |
| | 7-1-57 | 10¢ | 3.35 |
| | 7-1-58 | 25¢ | 3.60 |
| Lexington, Ky.—No. 183 | 7-16-57 | 15¢ | 3.70 |
| | 1-16-58 | 13¢ | 3.83 |
| | 7-16-58 | 12½¢ | 3.95½ |
| Springfield, Mo.—No. 453 | 9-1-57 | 15¢ | 3.15 |
| | 1-1-58 | 12½¢ | 3.27½ |
| | 9-1-58 | 12½¢ | 3.40 |
| Ft. Smith, Ark.—No. 700 | 10-16-57 | 25¢ | 3.12½ |
| | 7-1-58 | 12½¢ | 3.25 |
| | 1-1-57 | 5¢ | 3.05 |
| Hutchinson, Kans.—No. 661 | 7-1-57 | 15¢ | 3.20 |
| | 7-1-58 | 10¢ | 3.30 |
| | 4-18-57 | 20¢ | 3.20 |
| Grand Junction, Colo.—No. 969 | 10-1-57 | 10¢ | 3.30 |
| | 1-1-57 | 10¢ | 3.20 |
| | 1-1-58 | 18¢ | 3.38 |
| Portland, Ore.—No. 48 | 7-1-58 | 12¢ | 3.50 |
| | 1-1-59 | 10¢ | 3.60 |
| | 7-1-59 | 10¢ | 3.70 |
| Calgary, Alta.—No. 348 | 7-1-57 | 20¢ | 2.40 |
| | 1-1-58 | 15¢ | 2.55 |
| | 5-1-57 | 25¢ | 2.30 |
| St. Catharines, Ont.—No. 303 | 11-1-57 | 10¢ | 2.40 |
| | 5-1-58 | 15¢ | 2.55 |
| | 11-1-58 | 5¢ | 2.60 |

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WAGE GAINS IN OUTSIDE CONSTRUCTION

Since a significant proportion of our construction agreements (including several of those already mentioned) are made with both the Inside and Outside electrical contractors of an area, and often carry similar scales and working conditions, we will not go into quite as much detail for advances achieved in line construction contracts during the past 15 months, though they are nonetheless important.

Some of the biggest gains in pay for outside line construction work appear to have been procured by our members in Local Unions 213 and 230 of Vancouver and Victoria in British Columbia. Each local racked up a boost of 51 cents per hour in raising their rate for journeyman linemen from \$2.49 to \$3.00 on January 2, 1957, and followed six months later with an additional increase of 25 cents when the rate went to \$3.25 on July 2nd—a total raise of 76 cents per hour.

In California Local Union 1072 of Monterey negotiated an hourly adjustment of 15 cents, bringing its linemen's rate to \$3.60 on April 1, 1957, then an additional raise of 30 cents on January 1, 1958, bringing the rate to its present \$3.90. A further increase of 25 cents has been agreed upon, to set the rate at \$4.15, come January 1, 1959. The total gain over the period comes to 70 cents an hour.

In Illinois, Local Union 702 of West Frankfort procured a 43-cent advance in two steps of 21½ cents each, effective January 1, 1957 and January 1, 1958. Resulting rates were \$3.58½ and \$3.80 on the respective dates.

Local Union 31 of Duluth, Minnesota chalked up an over-all advance of 33 cents an hour in three steps, this way:

| Date | Hourly Increase | New Rate (Linemen) |
|---------|-----------------|--------------------|
| 5-1-57 | 13¢ | \$3.13 |
| 12-1-57 | 7¢ | 3.20 |
| 5-4-58 | 13¢ | 3.33 |

In other areas linemen working on first class commercial outside construction jobs fared as follows:

| City and Local | Date | Hourly Increase | Line Rate |
|--|----------|-----------------|-----------|
| Houston, Texas—No. 66 | 7-1-57 | 12½¢ | \$3.4625 |
| | 7-1-58 | 12½¢ | 3.5875 |
| Sioux Falls, S. D.—No. 426 | 12-1-56 | 5¢ | 3.20 |
| | 12-31-57 | 25¢ | 3.45 |
| Des Moines, Iowa—No. 55 | 1-1-57 | 15¢ | 3.30 |
| | 1-1-58 | 15¢ | 3.45 |
| Springfield, Ill.—No. 51 | 1-1-57 | 20¢ | 3.58 |
| | 1-1-58 | 20¢ | 3.78 |
| Bowling Green, Ky.—No. 828 | 3-1-57 | 30¢ | 3.30 |
| New Orleans, La.—No. 130 | 7-1-57 | 25¢* | 3.275 |
| | 1-1-58 | 10¢ | 3.375 |
| | 7-1-58 | 10¢ | 3.475 |
| Gulfport, Miss.—No. 903 (Utility Work) | 1-1-57 | 12½¢ | 3.00 |
| | 1-1-58 | 15¢ | 3.15 |
| Tampa, Fla.—No. 108 | 1-1-57 | 10¢ | 3.20 |
| | 1-1-58 | 17½¢ | 3.37½ |
| | 3-1-58 | 2½¢ | 3.40 |
| Macon, Ga.—No. 1316 | 1-1-57 | 5¢ | 3.10 |
| | 7-1-57 | 10¢ | 3.20 |
| | 7-1-58 | 15¢ | 3.35 |
| Philadelphia, Penna.—No. 126 | 6-1-57 | 17½¢ | 3.95 |
| | 9-1-57 | 12½¢ | 4.07½ |
| Newark, N. J.—No. 52 | 1-1-57 | 12½¢ | 4.12½ |
| | 6-1-57 | 12½¢ | 4.25 |

*Increase over rate for 1955.



IMPROVEMENTS IN FRINGE BENEFITS

The IBEW has achieved quite a number of improvements in the area of fringe benefits over the 15-month period under consideration. A quick tally shows that in the Inside branch of our trade 25 local unions made significant gains in health-and-welfare plans, 16 in paid-vacation plans, and at least two in holiday-with-pay plans. The two are Local Union 164 of Jersey City and 230 of Victoria in British Columbia. In addition we noted that two local union pension plans had been negotiated (in Local Unions 164 of Jersey City and 439 of Camden, both in New Jersey). Several other locals had obtained pay for travel time, presumably for the first time, or had adopted travel-zone systems for travel to outlying areas.

Some of the locals which appear to have adopted health and welfare plans in the Inside branch for the first time are:

| Local Union | Location | Employer Pays |
|-------------|-------------------|---------------|
| 259 | Salem, Mass. | 10¢ |
| 10 | Butler, Penna. | 4% |
| 28 | Baltimore, Md. | 7½¢ |
| 872 | Beckley, W. Va. | 10¢ |
| 725 | Terre Haute, Ind. | 8¢ |
| 431 | Mason City, Iowa | 7½¢ |
| 48 | Portland, Ore. | 10¢ |
| 1072 | Monterey, Calif. | 10¢ |

Among our many contracts calling for increased employer payments to health-and-welfare funds recently we find these, to name a few:

| Local Union | Location | H & W Benefit Gain | Total Cost to Employer |
|-------------|----------------------|--------------------|------------------------|
| 237 | Niagara Falls, N.Y. | 2¢ | 10¢ |
| 163 | Wilkes Barre, Penna. | 2½¢ | 12½¢ |
| 58 | Detroit, Mich. | 2¢ | 9¢ |
| 159 | Madison, Wis. | 1¢ | 10¢ |
| 1 | St. Louis, Mo. | 2¢ | 10¢ |
| 302 | Richmond, Calif. | 2½¢ | 10¢ |
| 428 | Bakersfield, Calif. | 2½¢ | 10¢ |

PAID-VACATION IMPROVEMENTS

Vacation-with-pay plans were newly agreed upon in a number of areas. The local unions (along with employer contributions) included among others: No. 164 of Jersey City, New Jersey, 15¢ per hour; No. 461 of Aurora, Illinois, 4 percent of employee payroll; No. 751 of Manitowoc, Wisconsin, 6 percent; No. 12 of Pueblo, Colorado, 12 cents; and No. 413 of Santa Barbara, California, 4 per-

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Local 1 Battles to Maintain Jurisdiction

L. U. 1, ST. LOUIS, MO.—The battle for the maintenance of jurisdiction of Local No. 1 is still in progress and shall continue relentlessly, as it seems that the situation gets worse as work slackens. Unfortunately all trades in our jurisdiction have been affected with limited employment this winter with all other trades having much more unemployment than the Electrical Worker, so naturally all these trades are attempting to take a piece of the other fellow's work, but through hard work and diligence on the part of the officers and the education of our members, we have been able to retain all of our recognized jurisdiction.

Another drive by our business representatives to educate local union members to insist on electrical work for electricians, has got to the "exhaust fan" situation. It has always been the jurisdiction of the Electrical Worker to set this equipment in its entirety when it is not a part of a duct or blower system.

Electrical exhaust or blower fans when mounted in any type wall of a residence or commercial building, are the work of the Electrical Worker. Members of Local No. 1 should watch this type work and should report to the office of the business manager any job having the metal sleeve placed in the walls by any trade other than the Electrical Worker.

On all jobs where the fan is a part of a duct system, call the business manager's office and inform him of conditions on that job.

This is very important and will bring many more hours of employment for Electrical Workers.

Another one of the many new electrical devices being installed in homes is the exhaust hood which mounts

over the cooking area. This device contains both exhaust fan and light and is the jurisdiction of the Electrical Worker. Whether it is furnished by the electrical contractor or others, we think it should be a part of the electrical contract. As it has both light and exhaust fan in this unit, the work belongs in its entirety to the Electrical Worker. Call your business representative if this type equipment has been installed by others.

In progress at this time is a meeting between the administrative officers of Local No. 1 and individual independent electrical contractors employing our members (contractors not belonging to N.E.C.A.) for the purpose of educating these contractors on the jurisdiction of our trade.

Too many times contractors are reluctant to insist that certain portions of work on a building be included in the electrical contract.

Many of these contractors not being equipped with large tools such as electric welders, air compressors and hammers, hoists, etc., are inclined to want to have this type work inserted in contracts involving other trades. This group of contractors was informed at this meeting that they are expected to help protect our jurisdiction by demanding of the general contractor that ALL electrical work on these jobs be included in the contract with the electrical contractors, including electrical fixtures.

These contractors were very well pleased with this first informative meeting with our officers and individually expressed high praise for Business Manager Nolte and his staff for the wonderful work they have been doing in helping this group of contractors doing more and better electrical work.

Recently State Senator Jack Jones of the Missouri State Senate presided over a meeting of the Missouri Legislative Committee on Industrial Development held in a small town in our state before which appeared five or six representatives of industry, and recommended that a new effort should be made to get a "Right-to-Work" law for the State of Missouri.

These representatives of industry told the committee this legislation was needed for the future industrial development of the state.

We are sure Senator Jack Jones and his committee were not impressed by these statements knowing very well that these "witnesses" represent big industries, there not being a wage earner among them.

To the voters in Missouri and other States, you must keep a close check on your Senator and house of Representative members from your district, call on them personally and ask them to support your local union in their efforts to suppress these attempts to introduce "Right-to-Work" legislation.

Of the 17 states having compulsory

Local Lines

NEWS FROM THE LOCALS

Independent Contractors Work with Local 1



This picture shows a group of electrical contractors not affiliated with any association but who have individual contracts with Local 1, St. Louis, Mo. These contractors do a large volume of business and employ a majority of the locals "residential class" wiremen and have played a large part in the success of Local 1. Business Manager Paul Nolte called this meeting to discuss the policies of the local with the independent contractors.

Air Moving Equipment in Local's Jurisdiction



This group of residential exhaust fans on display at the United Electric Supply Co. in St. Louis (one of the local supply houses having working contracts with Local 1) is the type equipment that business representatives are now concentrating on for full installation by Electrical Workers. Business Manager Paul Nolte insists that both parts of this type fan be installed by members of Local 1. This particular make of fan bears the I.B.E.W. union label and each part, both wall sleeve and the fan section, have electrical connections making it sure electrical work for the electrician. Please look for the I.B.E.W. union label on all manufactured electrical products. From left: Al Siepmann, Local 1 business representative and C. E. Yail, president of the United Electrical Supply Co. of St. Louis.

"Right-to-Work" laws on their statute books, it has been definitely established, that their economics and living standards do not compare with states not blessed with the right-to-ruin law. This hearing definitely indicates that the foes of labor are organized and are just waiting for the right time to drop their bomb shell in the Missouri legislature for an all-out fight.

Please see that you are a qualified registered voter in your district. Also be sure to send a Contribution to C.O.P.E. to help elect those who are not opposed to organized labor. The address is C.O.P.E., 815 16th St. N.W., Washington 6, D. C.

FRANK G. KAUFFMAN, P.S.

Local 3 Man Chosen To Head Labor Council

L. U. 3, NEW YORK, N. Y.—The members of our union are tremendously proud and happy as Business Manager Harry Van Arsdale, Jr., begins his duties as president of the 750,000 member Central Trades and Labor Council of New York City. He was unanimously elected to that responsible position upon the death of Martin T. Lacey.



This is one of the many types of air moving equipment that fall into the category of electrical work for the electrician. This is one of many exhaust fans to be mounted on the roof of the new McDonnell Aircraft Mfg. Co., located in the jurisdiction of Local 1. This will be a joint venture with the sheet metal workers in as much as they will eventually be directly connected to sheet metal ducts. Any exhaust fan not directly connected to sheet metal duct work is mounted and connected in its entirety to the electrical worker. From left are Job Steward Joe Schmidt and Business Representative Herb Hutchison.

Complimentary articles appeared in the *New York Times*, the *New York Daily News*, the *Long Island Sunday Press*, and the *New York Mirror*.

An editorial in the *Mirror*, November 21, 1957, said in part:

"Van Arsdale is a dedicated union man, business manager of Local No. 3 of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, and his selection as president of the powerful Central Trades and Labor Council of Greater New York is a happy one.

"In serving his union well, he has served the city and its people well. He has worked with our colleges and universities in establishing scholarships for the children of union members; used union funds for cooperative housing; set up a school for the development of democratic union leadership, and done an outstanding job as a member of the Board of Directors of the Manhattan Council of the Boy Scouts of America."

On December 20th, under the direction of the Joint Industry Board of the Electrical Industry, the eighteenth annual graduation of our apprentices was held in the Seth Low Memorial Library of Columbia University.

Relatives and friends filled the hall on a stormy night to witness the proceedings, whereby 91 men received their "A" journeyman cards and 45 fourth year apprentices advanced to fifth year or "junior journeyman" status.

Of the 14 awards presented by President Jeremiah P. Sullivan, Jack Beller and Robert Collins won equal

first prizes. All received State and Federal Certificates of Completion.

Here's hoping that these ceremonies within Columbia University, and the fine words of friendly advice will serve as a lasting inspiration to these men (who have completed a rigorous five-year schedule of night classes and on-the-job training) as they proceed to play a more and more important part in the work of our industry and in the affairs of our organization.

In our Lamp and Shade Industry, a strike involving 3,000 members was avoided on the last day, December 14th, when the 25-man negotiating committee arrived at the following tentative agreement with the employers' committee:

1. To extend negotiations to January 30th, all terms of agreement to be retroactive to December 16th.
2. To establish a Joint Industry Board of the Lamp and Shade Industry.
3. To provide a substantial wage increase for all, to be discussed in good faith at future negotiations.
4. To make adjustments in the hospitalization and surgical plan.
5. To set up a classification system.

A thousand members employed in 65 electrical manufacturing companies attended a meeting December 4th, the first step toward forming a special division for the 3,850 members covered by the E retirement fund. This important program will undoubtedly result in a better understanding of trade union principles among these members and better

Install Luminous Ceiling at Toledo



Members of Local 8, Toledo, Ohio, are seen in the process of installing a luminous type ceiling for a local project. Their names are given in the local's letter.

working conditions and benefits for all.

THOMAS P. VAN ARSDALE, P. S.

Install Luminous Type Ceiling at Toledo

L. U. 8, TOLEDO, OHIO—Enclosed are pictures taken of a luminous type ceiling lighting job done at the Dana Corporation by Preeter Electric Inc. It consisted of a main office 400 by 150 feet, a dozen executive offices and an entrance way.

This job was done by the following Brothers of the local: Kenny Engle, Don Moench, Bob Limp, Bill Moores, Hank Warns, Ed Heinze, Eddie Kijowski, Ronald Streichert, and Le-land Hill.

These men performed the complete job of hanging the channels, installing the fluorescent lighting, and installing the plastic ceiling.

We believe this is one of the largest jobs in the country of this type.

Our spring dance will be held March the 22nd. We anticipate a successful and pleasant evening.

TOMMY MAHER, R. S.

Describes School of Chicago Local 9

L. U. 9, CHICAGO, ILL.—For the past eight years Local 9, IBEW, has been conducting a school for the purpose of preparing our young men in the proper way to become skilled journeyman linemen, cable splicers and qualified workers in the field of traffic signals and electronics.

At the present time these classes are conducted in the Creiger School, on Monday and Thursday of each week from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. The school is located at Wood and Grenshaw Streets in Chicago, Illinois, which is known as the famous Hospital Center, the largest hospital center of its kind in the world.

Our instructors are required to pass an examination by the Board of Edu-

Local 9 Electronics School



These scenes and those on the following page show the students and instructors who participate in the successful apprentice school of Local 9, Chicago, Ill.

cation to become eligible to teach and I am happy to say that the Board of Education has cooperated with us 100 percent at all times.

We have four instructors—Percy Cook, Clifford Anderson, Irving Hunciker and Lawrence Benner—shown in the enclosed picture with Mr. Finston, school director from the

Board of Education and our Business Manager Frank Benner. All of our instructors are members of Local 9, IBEW, and each one of them has been a member for more than 30 years.

We have four classes at our school, two in line work, which consists of one class in the room for book work, the other outside for practical work,

such as setting poles, stringing wires and setting up transformers. The other classes cover cable splicing, electronics and traffic signals. Because our work is so highly specialized, the instruction must be upon both the theoretical and practical, not merely theoretical, not merely practical.

Our traffic signals in this area are getting more complicated all the time and one of our contractors (Meade Electric Company) has one of the finest shops in the United States. The company maintains all traffic signals in Cook County and assists Local 9, with all kinds of materials and instruments so the practical work can be taught to its best advantage.

On January 6, 1958 a class will be opened to instruct students in the proper handling of hot sticks. This course will have classes four nights each week until the course is completed which will probably take four weeks. We are of the opinion that Chicago will be converted to 12,000 volts and we plan to be prepared for this conversion.

We have had instructions on pole-top resuscitation many times and SAFETY is stressed in all classes at all times.

Our Business Manager Frank Benner has been very happy with the progress of our school for the past eight years and it has been gratifying to all of us to see so many of our pupils who have passed Civil Service examinations now employed as first class linemen and serving as foremen and general foremen.

TOM CONSIDINE, P. S.

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Large Attendance at L.A. Plate Dinner

L. U. 11, Unit 1, LOS ANGELES, CALIF.—The enclosed pictures of the officers and the Entertainment Committee were taken at a most unique affair of the Wiremen's Local 11 in Los Angeles.

A good year had been enjoyed by all members of our local along with the most able support of many visiting Brothers from locals near and far.

A plate dinner was served with the cooperation of our active Women's Auxiliary. The attendance was so good that it was necessary to have four sittings before every one was served.

I said it was a unique affair because of the active support of all our local union officials and the actual serving of the dinner by many of them.

Our Entertainment Committee enjoyed the active help the year around—in and out of the kitchen—of many of our Brothers including Brother

Classes for Chicago Apprentices



More scenes of the electronics classes made available to apprentices of Local 9. Full details are included in that local's letter.

Plate Dinner Held by L.A. Local



These are the officers of Local 11, Los Angeles, Calif., who marked the end of a good year by holding a most successful plate dinner for the members. Top row from left: Business Manager George O'Brien; Pat Baker, Ray Carey, N.E.C.A. representative; President Webb Green, and W. Charles Walker, Unit 1 representative. Middle row: James Cristiano and Gene Dropin, Unit 1 Executive Committeemen; George Lyons, Local Executive Board, and W. Chappman, Unit 1 business agent. Bottom row: Steve Blancarte, Earl Litz, Joe Higuera and W. Johnson, all of the Executive Committee of Unit 1, and the Unit's Recording Secretary Stan White..



The Entertainment Committee, together with the Ladies' Auxiliary, provided a highly pleasant evening for the members. The Committee at left are, top row: Fred E. Pauley, William Fields, Martin Rabirow, Bob Nolan, Marion Collins and W. E. Smith. Bottom row: Earl Litz, Steve Blancarte and James Cristiano. The ladies of the Auxiliary are, from left: Mrs. Johnson, Mrs. Iske, Mrs. Kuper, Mrs. Coleman, Mrs. Gurley, the group's president, and Mrs. McCall.

George Lyons who is also a member of our Executive Board. Where else do you find better cooperation?

On the back of each picture I am listing the names of the respective members of Local 11, Unit 1.

Our best wishes to all local union officers and members for 1958.

JAMES CRISTIANO, Chairman,
Entertainment Committee

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Local Works on \$8 Million Pueblo Hospital

L. U. 12, PUEBLO, COLO.—For the last two years the Saint Mary-Corwin

job has kept a good percentage of our boys employed. It is probably one of the most modern hospitals in this part of the country. The cost of this project is well over \$8,000,000.00. One of the many interesting features is the nurse call system and also the TV network system which was all installed by members of Local 12. Each room has individual TV service which is remote controlled so each patient may control the program which he may wish to see with just a twist of the dial.

There are six elevators which will carry patients and employees very conveniently to any part of the hospital. One of the most fascinating

features of this job is that the new hospital was built over the old one, which consisted of two stories and when construction was completed work was begun on the old part which is under six stories of new work.

The emergency lighting system is one of the best in the country. This hospital has two 250 K.V.A. units which go to work at any time there is power failure. A building such as this always adds to the beauty of a community as well as to its welfare.

Now for a few other items of interest on L. U. 12. This past year, 1957, has been a good and prosperous one for Local 12 and all its mem-

\$8 Million Pueblo Hospital



The \$8 million Saint Mary-Corwin hospital which for two years has occupied many members of Local 12, Pueblo, Colo., as the architect sees it on completion after two years of construction.

bers. First, we have elected new members to all positions. Our new president is Bill Miller, Vice President Robert Robertson, Business Manager and Financial Secretary Bert Strand, Recording Secretary Grenstead, Treasurer John Panunzio. Executive Board: George Allenback, H. Amik, Bob Grenstead, Bob Warren, and Elden Walker.

Local 12 also was very successful in negotiating for a new contract. The scale is \$3.36. We also got two weeks vacation and the working conditions are rated the best. We have had plenty of work in our jurisdiction, so all our members have been quite busy here at home.

We have established a credit union and at the close of this year we were gaining by leaps and bounds. We do hope that this information will enlighten our traveling Brothers throughout the country.

CANDIDO A. MARTINEZ, P. S.

Pins Presented to Omaha Old-Timers

L. U. 22, OMAHA, NEBR.—Local 22 held its annual Christmas party at the Rome Hotel, December 7th. Everyone had a fine time and we must go on record with a vote of thanks to

our committee members, Joe Anzalone, Dick Seastadt, John Erickson and Les Konhaneck.

The party served as a melting pot for our members and their families to get together, renew old friendships and begin a few new ones.

Brother Kelly from the International Office flew in to join us and present pins to our old-time members. Maybe a few of these names will ring a bell with some of you Brothers of years gone by and jobs since past. Fifty-year pin, Mr. Andersen; 45-year pins, L. Krejce, H. Beck, L. Harman, C. Howell, F. Kahnen, L. Roper; 40-year, G. Bentley, J. Beran, Sr., A. Cromemeyer, E. Hassel, O. Johnson, E. Youngren, B. Kahn, C. Marrow, L. Sprecker, C. Stillwell, J. Swinger; 35-year, H. DeLaney, F. Fluhr, A. Gustafson, C. Hayes, H. Johnson, A. Marr, F. Nye, P. Rochrig, B. Williams; 30-year, L. Dobrovolsky, Sr., G. Prentice, J. Holmgren; 25-year, E. Bayer, Sr., H. Doyle, A. Haynes, J. Slaby, G. Kripal, L. LeClair; 20-year, A. Alman, E. Andersen, A. Barnes, W. Beck, J. Beran, Jr., R. Hackly, B. Hayden, J. Jacksick, H. Kenworthy, E. Krejci, F. Madura, E. Motz, W. Poster, H. Risk, R. Rowe, J. Scigliano, H. Smith, M. Staub, D. Tibbetts.

Boy I'm glad I got that list in! All kidding aside, these members I am sure, are proud to wear their well-

earned pins. Some of them have helped the I.B.E.W. grow from its infancy.

Now we did not forget the young members. Fourteen of them received their apprenticeship training diplomas. Their names follow: R. Anderson, J. Krazicak, B. Riber, W. Smith, S. Kahn, W. Nuno, R. Crowl, M. Holubar, R. Anderson, R. Weeks, Jr., B. Oltman, C. McLaughlin, W. Sobbing, Jr., and K. Vandervolt. The day will come when these young members will exchange places by receiving pins instead of diplomas.

I don't believe I mentioned this before. Brother Joe Anzalone got the ball rolling quite some time ago on forming a credit union among our Brothers. This thing has really caught on and is going places. We think that this is a good deal for our local and members.

Work in our area has been holding up good and it appears that it will last. There are about 200 traveling Brothers here. We are glad to have the work for them to come to.

R. KOCH, P. S.

Late Winter Snow Slows Work in Washington

L. U. 26, WASHINGTON, D. C.—The second month of 1958 brings with it the usual, customary rapid change in the weather. Today is February 1st and here we are with a snowstorm on our hands. Not that the snow gives the residents too much trouble, but like every big city, we have to put up with it, just at a time when almost everyone is looking for warmer weather. Work is somewhat slowed down on many outside jobs and besides all that, who wants to work on an open deck that has a few inches of snow over everything? Dig around in the snow for the pipe, then dig around for the hickey—now where in the world are the locknuts and bushings? To coin a phrase "it ain't easy and it ain't nice." Working on a cold dry day also presents problems—such as trying to keep warm enough to get the work done so that the concrete man can get his part of the work completed as well. Many and

Omaha Veterans Receive Service Pins



International Representative Elmer Kelly presents I.B.E.W. Service Pins at Local 22's Christmas party in Omaha, Nebr. About 500 were in attendance.

Ladies' Night at Los Angeles Local



A portion of the crowd of city officials, members and guests watching the performance at Local 18's recent annual Unit 12 ladies' night in Los Angeles, Calif.



Guests at the head table of Local 18's Annual Supervisors' Unit Ladies' Night include William S. Peterson, General Manager and Chief Engineer (standing); Samuel B. Morris, former general manager and currently consultant; and Clayton M. Allen, engineer in charge of plant division, all of Department of Water and Power of the city of Los Angeles. E. P. Taylor, Business Manager of Local 18 is seated behind Mr. Peterson.

varied have been the methods for maintaining the body heat at a normal temperature, but Bro. Bernie Rosser has a very novel idea. You have heard of "handwarmers" haven't you? Well Bernie puts them inside of his shirt and in his back pocket—and there you are! Perhaps a hat with a built-in head warmer will be patented and the up-to-date electrician will be ready for those cold winds that make life so miserable, so many times.

Enclosed are some pictures that were taken at the annual Christmas party that Local Union 26 has for its members and if there is one meeting that is well attended, this is it. Important issues on the welfare of the union may come and go and while a sizable number of the membership

always attend, it is nothing compared to the number of good Brothers, who make it a point, THAT night to be on hand. Maybe it's the 20 turkeys that are given out or maybe it is the excellent cuisine "tromped up" by the Veep, Ed McDonough and his staff. But whatever it was, the Brothers were there.

This year a different method of chancing the turkeys was used and it satisfied everyone. A small ticket was given out to each member as he entered the hall, the duplicate being retained and placed in the bag to be pulled out later as a winner, (perhaps). St. Bernard's Crystal Room was the scene of all this activity and it is an ideal place for this sort of thing because of the unlimited park-



Councilman Karl L. Rundberg gets a laugh from the crowd at the annual supervisors' unit ladies' night of Local 18. Below: William S. Peterson, General Manager and Chief Engineer of the Department of Water and Power of the city of Los Angeles, addresses the crowd.



ing area it offers as well as the kitchen facilities that are available for feeding so many people. The AFL-CIO Convention at Atlantic City was just closing that day and Brother Clem Preller hadn't returned to Washington in time to attend the meeting. He had been under a great strain recently and following the convention, decided to take a good rest. Still resting comfortably and taking things very easy, he promises to be back with us in a short while.

The credit union of Local 26 is in for its share of publicity. A letter

was recently received from another local asking for some information in starting a credit union of its own. Perhaps this thing is beginning to take root.

Well, the bowling teams of this local are mighty active this year with three of the Electricians' teams up among the first 10, with one of the teams leading the Building Trades League. In order to make all things equal, there is another Electricians' team in complete balance—it is at the bottom. An anchor team, no less!

But the fortune of Lady Luck can still manifest itself and perhaps in the near future, this team will be near the top. President Jack Yetter says that he has high hopes for this team and with that kind of support, this team should move up the list very soon.

Teams in the other league — all Electricians, have been going at it hot and heavy with all 12 teams doing their best on Tuesday nights. The officers for this year are: President "Buck" Cumberland, Vice President Charley Smith, Secretary Treasurer E. McDonough and last but not least, Official Scorer Tom Horan. This bowling group plans to hold a dinner and dance sometime in the spring of the year, possibly during the month of May and as far as can be determined, a committee has been set up just for that purpose, and will report at the next meeting. This should be a good time and a chance for all the members of the various teams to be together.

FRANCIS J. O'NEILL, P.S.

High Applications for Local 28 Training List

L. U. 28, BALTIMORE, MD.—The month of January was a very quiet month socially.

We held our regular monthly meeting on Friday, January 3. The negotiating committee has had several

conferences trying to prepare a new contract for the coming year.

The Apprentice Training Committee, I understand, has been busy accepting applications for consideration for the entrance examination. There have been approximately 190 inquiries for the Training Program. This is certainly a good sign, to see so many young fellows so interested. At present we have 255 apprentices in training.

Attention Brothers, don't forget that 1958 is election year for Local 28. Take full advantage of this opportunity by attending the meetings so that you keep up to date on all current affairs confronting us. You will then be prepared to nominate, and vote in the Brothers that will serve and protect your interests in the local.

Your vote is needed. Get out and exercise your rights as a member. Support your local, this is very important.

The employment situation we are sorry to report has not changed. There is considerable unemployment. Jobs are not advancing as they should and we will all be relieved when there is a break in the weather.

"PETE" HAMILL, P. S.

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Eight Cleveland Men Awarded 50-Year Pins

L. U. 38, CLEVELAND, OHIO—Local Union 38's Annual Scroll Party was held, November 20th in Cleveland, Ohio. This is one of our large annual affairs at which our 50-year members are honored. In addition to the 50-year pin, they are also presented with a billfold containing a \$50.00 bill symbolic of their years of membership. This year, eight of our old timers were eligible, namely: Clarence Chamberlin, Joe Zeleny, Harry Engelman, Arthur Grundies, Charles Stasek, Sr., James Yates, Arthur James and Harry Conway. Due to illness only three of the eight

were present. To date this makes 44 members of Local Union 38 who have been honored for their 50-year membership.

Also at this affair 59 apprentices who have completed their four years of training, received diplomas and took their place in the industry as journeymen wiremen. This group constitutes our 1957 Class.

The guest speakers were H. B. Blankenship, Vice President of the 4th District, Bert Wright, representing the National Joint Apprenticeship Committee, and D. C. Courtwright, superintendent of the Max S. Hayes Trade School.

This annual affair is always well attended by the members and the evening was well rounded off with a floor show, food and liquid refreshments.

The wiremen of Local Union 38, Cleveland, Ohio, held their Annual Christmas Party for the kiddies on December 18th, 1957 at the Masonic Auditorium.

This affair was attended by 2000 youngsters accompanied by their parents. As usual it was a gala affair for the children who received in addition to their Christmas Gifts, an assortment of sweets and were entertained by a floor show suitable to their ages. We believe, we oldsters got as big a kick out of this affair as did the wide eyed enthusiastic and thrilled youngsters.

VINCENT B. SKODIS, B. M.

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Inter-City Bowlers Meet in Syracuse, N. Y.

L. U. 43, SYRACUSE, N. Y.—Our educational committee has started a class in Electronics at Hurlburt Smith Technical School. We will give attendance figures at a later date.

Syracuse was the host city of an inter city bowling get-together on Saturday, January 25, at the Ukrainian National Home. This gathering brings together bowlers from the Electrical Workers Unions of Buf-

Christmas Gathering of Washington Members



Members of Local 26, Washington, D. C., at the annual Christmas party. This picture taken in St. Bernard's Crystal Room in Riverdale, shows the brothers listening for their number and name to be called.

New and Old Honored in Cleveland



Local 38, Cleveland, Ohio, presented diplomas to the above 59 graduating apprentices who became Journeymen Wiremen in 1957.

falo, Niagara Falls, Rochester, Oswego and Syracuse several times throughout the bowling season with the meeting held each time in a different city. This creates much good natured rivalry among the Brothers. Although we had extremely bad weather the attendance was about 65. The next get-together will be held in Buffalo. My local source of information is Brother "Joe" Gallagher, who tells me that Charles Meyers of Buffalo is the president, and "Bill" Marinaccio of the same city is secretary.

I have been informed by our office secretary, Maryann Benson, that Brother "Bill" O'Hern is ill and we hope that he has a speedy recovery.

I noticed in a recent copy of the JOURNAL that I have a namesake in Toronto, also a press secretary, and I want to take this occasion to say hello to him. Perhaps we will be able



The officers standing are George Brown, president; H. B. Blankenship, International vice president, 4th District; Vincent B. Skodis, business manager; Edwin H. Brunner, financial secretary. Seated are Clarence Chamberlin, Joe Zeleny and Harry Engelman—three of the eight 50-year members who were honored at Local 38's Annual Scroll Party.



Youngsters of members of Local 38, Cleveland, Ohio, enjoying the entertainment at the local's Annual Christmas Party.



Youngsters of members of Local 38, placing their Christmas order with Santa. The affair was attended by 2000 children of the local's membership and their parents.

to get together in the future and find out if we are related.

JAMES N. MCKAY, P. S.

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Stage Christmas Fete For Mentally Retarded

L. U. 46, SEATTLE, WASH.—Perhaps this report may seem a bit dated, but this is the first time since the event that your scribe has had an opportunity to write about the big Christmas Party that our local helped instigate for the benefit of the mentally retarded children at the Rainier State School at Buckley. Although Local 46, and particularly Business Representative Bob Perry, can claim credit for getting this fine project under way, thanks must go to all participating Unions in the Seattle Building Trades Council, the Bakeries of Seattle and Confectionery Workers from Tacoma for getting on the band wagon and helping to make it a bigger success than anyone had imagined.

The big day was December 27th when a party with all the trimmings was given for the kids. The Musicians' Union of Seattle put on an hour long show much to the delight of the children. After \$4,000 worth of gifts such as record players, radios, tricycles, watches and toys were distributed, there were still several thousand dollars left for an endowment fund for boy and girl scout groups, birthday parties and like activities that last throughout the year.

This school has almost 1900 children and young adults, destined by a cruel fate to spend most of their lives in this institution. Some will learn a simple craft, many will spend their days with only simple toys. About two-thirds of the children are never, or only partially, remembered at Christmas time. Some 400 sad cases are bed patients, and it was in trying to do something for them that our Local decided to furnish a wired music system to the wards as our special project.

The Oil Burner Dealers' Association with a number of Electrical Contractors and Appliance Dealers donated enough material and hi-fi equipment to complete four P.A. systems within the school. Thirty-seven of our members together with 18 fellows from the Plumbers and Steamfitters, Local 32, spent a Saturday installing the gear so that Christmas Carols, and now mood music, can be piped to the patients where it is known to have a definite therapeutic value. These systems installed would have cost the school about \$6,000. Here are the boys who worked on the project—Bob Perry, Don MacPherson, Claude McPherson, Harry Hamasaki, R. L. Briggs, Jim English, Winfield English, Jim Whitehead, Fred Edwards, Harold Jordan, Chet Neshiem, E. A. Smith, Russ Grant, Slim Nunn, H. W. MacDonald, Neil Media, Ed Rozmyn, Bert Stroud, Henry Fry, Simon DeMarco, Charles Duke, Lowell Howard, J. L. Hall, Roland Krohn, Ray Morgan, Harvey Erickson, H. M. Stevens, Al Gross, J. C. Thomas, John Synder, Charley A. Adams, Chuck Gardner, Dennis Cuming, Gottfried Giese, Arne Bergene, and Floto Morris.

Our local also made a donation of \$1,000—along with toys from the members and several hundred dollars which was given at a regular meeting when the hat was passed.

Rainier is a State supported school and as such gets little more than the essential food, nursing care and some instruction, so this project of ours, we feel, went to help a group usually forgotten in the clamor of other highly-advertised charities.

Business Representative Bob Perry has a special thank you coming for the hours and effort he spent making this undertaking a wonderful success. Bob, incidentally, is running for a position on the Seattle School Board, a post vacated by Jim Duncan, long a staunch friend of Labor on the Board. Perhaps by the time you read this the March election will have passed, but if not, remember the name—PERRY. The School Board, a non-

salaries group by the way, holds its meetings in the late afternoon or evening which may answer some of the questions in your minds.

At the present writing, our Business Manager Gene Nelson is busy with preparations for a special booth at the Electrical Industry Exposition which will be held in February at the Civic Auditorium. It is being held to acquaint wiremen, contractors and building owners with the latest in modern automatic electrical controls, appliances and wiring equipment for home and industry. Over 108 well known manufacturers and distributors will have their wares and display booths at the big show. Local 46 will have an exhibit showing how the union and our contractors cooperate in training our electrical apprentices in the various branches of the trade.

An important forerunner to all of you now—you will hear more of this, and it could cost you plenty of money. In the State of Washington, powerful anti-union forces with the necessary financial backing are again up with a type of "Right to Work" Initiative which could possibly be on the November ballot. It is Initiative No. 202 and although given a new number, a new name and a "new look," it will have the same effect of emasculating all unions, good or bad, as did Initiative No. 198 which was roundly defeated by the State Voters in 1957. Please watch for all the anti-202 material. Study the pamphlets that will be sent you from our business office, and above all be able to clearly discuss Labor's side among your "white collar" friends who have seen Labor's "bad boys" spotlighted in the Nation's press for so long. This "new crusade" will present some new sugar coating, but rest assured the pill would be just as bitter.

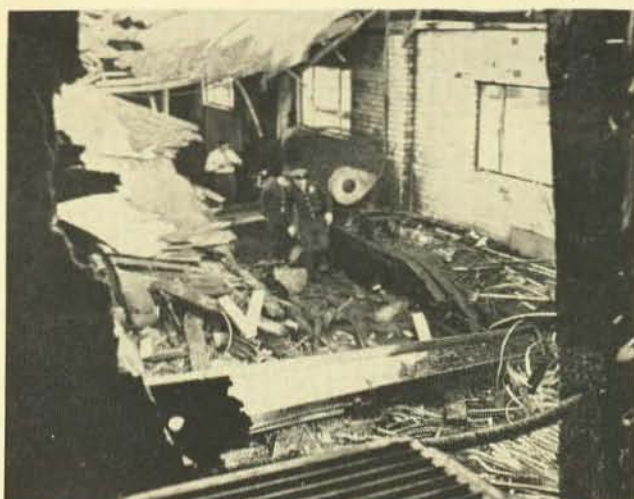
Our new monthly newsletter from the business office is off to a flying start. If any of you fellows from out of town are not receiving it and would like a copy, please drop a request in the mail. The office would also appreciate news of our members at home and abroad, ax-murders and

Gallery of Syracuse Members at Work



From left are these members of Local 43, Syracuse, N. Y.: Brothers Cerio, Reese, Schmidt, Fleischman, Palmer and Brisbane, at work on an area project.

Fire Destroys Local 45's Office



In the wake of the disastrous fire that swept the offices of Local 45, Los Angeles, Calif., first the police and then Business Manager Andrew Draghi inspect the ruins.



The local's office secretary sadly surveys what used to be a modern piece of office equipment, at left, while at right, she and Business Manager Draghi set up a temporary and portable headquarters in the back of his car.

Sunday, February 9th, was a sad day for Local 45. On that day fire totally destroyed the local's two-story office building located on Santa Monica Boulevard in Los Angeles. By Sunday evening, according to Business Manager Draghi, all was lost except some water-soaked papers and records.

Local officers have located new space at 5327 Santa Monica Boulevard, about a mile closer to Hollywood than the old address.

Good luck to you, Local 45, in your new home!

triangles excepted. Anyone won a TV jackpot lately?

Members who have applied for their pension since my last writing are H. F. Maxfield, Henry H. Hughes and R. F. Ellerker.

Departed from this earth are A. J. Blank, William Maki, William H. Mersey, George Schmader and John Skene. Their friends mourn their passing.

Will close now with best wishes to all from the members in Seattle.

"KNUTE" MALLETT, P. S.

Decatur Local 51's Pact Goes to Arbitration

L. U. 51, UNIT 4, DECATUR, ILL.— Local 51 has had no active press secretary for the past several years and we are all willing to assume the blame for this. At the last unit meeting the idea was brought up and I was given the honor by our unit chairman Brother Earl S. Garver, who is also president of Local 51, so here goes. Our unit and also the local is primarily a utility local (Illinois Power Company) and we naturally have the usual gripes. Our labor agreement

expired August 31, 1957. We have been negotiating some amendments, and at this writing are in the stage of arbitration of said amendments, with the Illinois Power Company which has offices in Decatur, Illinois. Every year it seems to take longer to convince the company that milk and bread cost a working man just as much as the officials, not to say anything about a little steak once in awhile.

We have two less members in our department (sub-station) due to health and retirement this year. Brother Maurice Nance, one of our

old timers, took a disability pension and now is residing in Colorado. Hi! Pappy, take it easy! Brother Carl F. VonVogt, who after 42 years in the saddle has reached that golden age of 65, that we are all looking towards to take it easy has retired. Enjoy yourself Carl at your home in Peoria, Illinois.

The members in the Substation Department have a pet gripe which no doubt affects other members who are employed by utility companies around the country. In this department we maintain and construct substations and do other work necessary to such installations. This is a large field of the electrical trade and a very necessary one if the other branches of the trade continue to function. The members who work at this phase of the trade feel that this work should be given a classification by the International Office, because this work is be-

tween the lineman and wireman classifications and it takes years of work and study to become familiar with this particular phase of work.

Most utility work is fairly steady employment and not too much moving around. However, there are times due to work, health or family conditions when a change becomes necessary.

Our I.B.E.W. Constitution does not recognize this type of work as a classification and the International Executive Council in their meeting beginning March 18, 1957 denied the proposal of Local Unions 17, 51, 130 and 160 to add the classification "Journeyman Substation Electrician" to those already named; such as Lineman, Wireman, etc. This condition creates a hardship on members who through apprenticeship have reached the classification of Journeyman Substation Electrician and then for reasons mentioned above would have to travel

and to find their classification not being recognized in many localities.

We of Local Union 51, Unit No. 4, Decatur, Illinois would appreciate a few comments from some of you fellow Brothers doing this type of work in other areas. If we have enough support on this proposal and since the I. E. C. failed to reconsider the matter, then, it could be made a request in the form of a resolution to the International Convention. At this writing our Business Manager W. R. Boyd is on the sick list and we understand is due for an operation at Barnes Hospital, St. Louis, Missouri.

The members of Local Union 51 hope Brother Boyd's visit to the hospital will be short and his recovery will be speedy, although, no doubt, he deserves a much needed rest.

Any letters on the above proposal will be answered and we hope to hear from all interested.

W. B. PITTMAN, P.S.

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500 See Syracuse Presentation



Two members of Local 79, Syracuse, N. Y., were presented with 50-year service pins in recent ceremonies attended by more than 500. From left, Union Recording Secretary Fred Hughes and President Peter Reap make the presentations to Brothers Patrick Long and Ernest Thompson.

Diamond Pins Awarded To Two in Syracuse

L. U. 79, SYRACUSE, N. Y.—This is my first appearance in the "Local Lines" section of our JOURNAL, and I want to start it off with what was my first release to our local press.

Two retired Niagara-Mohawk employees this past month were presented with diamond pins for 50 years of service with their union, Local 79 of the I.B.E.W..

Cited for their long service were Brothers Patrick "Paddy" Long and Ernest Thompson, both former linemen. They were honored at a banquet held November 7, 1957 at the Pastime A.C.

The presentation was made by Peter Reap, president of Local 79, which also celebrated the 58th anniversary of its founding.



These veteran members posed during the local's anniversary dinner. Their names are given by the press secretary.

More than 500 union members attended the banquet. The event also paid tribute to the complete roster of union members who have retired from the power company.

In the photo (left to right) are union Recording Secretary Fred Hughes, President Reap, Brothers Long and Thompson.

At our shindig, here in the "Old Canal City" of Syracuse, I want to tell you . . . the old canal was dug up and buried again. When old timers get to talking; time reels around to that dimension of sharing the better part of a full lifetime.

Now for some comment on the group photograph which accompanies this article. From the middle . . . and glancing . . . from face . . . to face. That's Ernie Thompson sitting in the middle . . . wearing the gray suit and bow tie. The old log roller can still jump that high. Paddy Long is next, left to him . . . with his son standing behind. The old patroller hasn't lost his vaudeville . . . brogue . . . wouldn't you know? The man to Paddy's left . . . is that man of letters . . . Bill Letterman wearing the commentator specs . . . he keeps those crossed hands busy at his work bench, you can bet. And still to his left is Frank Reben-sky getting his wish . . . working out a 10-year sentence of hard fishing . . . that's a switch. The end man to his left is . . . Irv (Sleepy) Hall, and if you'd listen to him; and count them: "We've got nine men, let's play ball."

Now working from left to right again . . . the way it says in the news-print . . . when you're looking for a friend. Nonie School digs one lesson for all smart squares. Take it at sixty and let the devil take the hindmost . . . and who cares? And second left to right with both hands on his knees, is smiling, Mike Carroll, who talks of politics and intrigues . . . when the canal ran through the middle . . . and alderman and mayor did fiddle. Wearing the white slip-on sweater is Tom (Skinner) Carrick . . . who has that measure in his make-up as well as in his name. A person upon whom you can stake that lasting friendship claim . . . and I still don't know where he got that nickname. And sitting next to him with his tie a little askew, is gentlemanly Jimmy Dibble, ambassador at large I want to tell you, he's always there to make that visiting . . . call . . . as an old time veteran, even to the farewell calls . . . that must some day come to all the journeymen.

That's blue-suited President, Peter Reap, standing with upright dignity, guarding over his brood and from the floor you can see in him a certain versatility. That young fellow standing and wearing the bow tie is Paddy Long, Jr. In one last line I've this to say: "If you become half the man your father is, that'll be a proud day!"

JOHN L. QUINN, P.S.

PRESS SECRETARY *of the Month*



Armand D'Angelo

This is a belated press secretary salute to the former press secretary of L. U. 3, New York, New York, Armand D'Angelo. We had invited Brother D'Angelo to send us a photo and a bit of background material that we might use in writing a tribute prior to his resignation in December. Since he served his local and the IBEW as press correspondent, submitting an article every month for 2½ years, we feel we cannot let his fine efforts pass without mention.

Brother Armand D'Angelo was born in New York City April 17, 1912.

He attended PS 37, Evander Childs High School and then continued his education at Cornell University Extension Classes in the School of Industrial and Labor Relations.

In 1936 he was initiated into L. U. 3 of New York and was employed in various branches of the electrical trade, such as manufacturing of every type of electrical equipment and the

installation and maintenance of this equipment. He served his apprenticeship and worked as journeyman, foreman and general foreman.

In 1941 he became a special representative on the staff of L. U. 3. In 1943 he became a business representative of this union.

In 1947, he was elected to the office of recording secretary to which office he was reelected every two years until he resigned. In the capacity of assistant business manager, Brother D'Angelo was responsible for the activities of the Manufacturing, Maintenance and Supply Divisions of L. U. 3.

In January 1955, Mayor Robert F. Wagner appointed him Deputy Commissioner of the Department of Water Supply, Gas and Electricity.

On September 25, 1957 Mayor Wagner appointed Armand D'Angelo, who remembered as a little boy in a family of seven, picking up coal to carry home, Commissioner of the Department of Water Supply, Gas and Electricity. At the time of his appointment, the mayor said "The people of the City of New York are getting a fine Commissioner."

On that date Commissioner D'Angelo resigned his official position with Local Union No. 3, in order to devote full time to his new responsibilities. He has said regarding his duties: "I would like to make the Department the most efficient public utility in the world."

The reins of press secretary for L. U. 3 have been picked up by Brother Thomas Van Arsdale, who has done a fine job of following in Brother D'Angelo's footsteps.

Congratulations and good wishes, Brother D'Angelo, on your new position, and many thanks for your many fine contributions to "Local Lines" in your years as press secretary.

Exodus of Workers From Norfolk Area

L. U. 80, NORFOLK, VA.—It seems to be more or less natural to mention first that which affects us most. The trek to other areas is increasing daily and in plain everyday jargon: "we're sorta' trying to peep around that mythical 'Hoover Corner'." For although roughly some 75 percent of our members are already out of town, 15 more mechanics left town this past week.

Steel is now going up (at a subnormal rate due to the weather) at the new Naval Hospital in Portsmouth, Virginia, and on the third unit of the VEPCO powerhouse in Gilmerton, Virginia which when ready, could very well keep most of our local members busy for a considerable period.

However, these projects are also still in the peeping stage.

Our Negotiating Committee has attended two sessions, so far, without any concrete results.

It is our duty to report some incidents that make us hopeful and still others that make us feel quite sad indeed.

We're glad to report that, although not back to work as yet Brother Howard Moore is back home and Brother Harry Fatherly is also back home from Butler, Pennsylvania, where his illness has a much better chance for proper treatment.

The Brothers of Local 80 to a man, extend sincere condolences and sympathy to the widow and survivors of former Brother J. R. Branson who died in a Portsmouth hospital at 6:30 a.m. on December 31, 1957. Brother Branson was one of our most popular

Pensioners Honored by Paterson Local



The officers of Local 102, Paterson, N. J., like the membership, joined in extending their congratulations to the pensioned members of the local. In the usual order are seen, seated: Roland Wood, 50-year card member; Ted Lynch, Executive Board; Samuel Moskowitz, business manager; John Holmes, president, and George Verwer, Executive Board. Standing: James Murdock, pensioner; Donald Ryder, Executive Board; Stephen Nebesnack, pensioner; Henry Behrens, treasurer; Hasbrouck Gurnee, pensioner; E. L. Braun, financial secretary; William Kelsall, Executive Board; John Vogel, Executive Board, and Louis Schaefer, Executive Board.



Business Agent Samuel Moskowitz had two pleasant duties to perform. At left, he presented Roland Wood with the I.O. scroll marking his fifty years of membership, and at right he handed the first checks from the local's Joint Pension Fund to James Murdock, Roland Wood, Stephen Nebesnack and Hasbrouck Gurnee.



Over 250 members enjoyed the beef dinner in honor of the pensioners of the New Jersey local.

members, held in high esteem by all of our Brothers and one of Local 80's more seasoned mechanics.

The near electrocution of one of our popular young mechanics, Brother

J. D. (Jerry) Patsell, which we reported in an earlier installment has resulted in his convalescing now in a Norfolk hospital following the amputation of both his left arm above the

elbow and right hand above the wrist, which seems likely to hospitalize him for an indefinite period. These unfortunate incidents have cast a spell of sorrow beyond the meaning of words over our entire local. Each of us is with you 100 percent for any assistance to help in your speedy recovery, Jerry.

Advancing unemployment is causing grave concern to the average citizen while the causative factor of our present economic decline is daily becoming more apparent in the predictions of our economic experts and advisers. Leon Keyserling, former chairman of the Council of Economic Advisers, for one, claims that our capacity to make goods outstripped the ability of our people to buy them. Prices and dividends also, in his analysis, have been rising faster than wages. From January 1956 to November 1957 industrial production declined 2.8 percent while prices rose 4.5 percent.

However, the same old "blame it on labor" seems to continue and has increased now to the extent of offering us a new interpolation of standard economic textbook procedures. During an interview, recently published, Murray Shields, economic adviser to 100 of our big corporations, used (or coined) the phrase "wage-cost-inflation"—apparently as a substitute for "pass the cost on to the consumer"—on numerous occasions. His emphasis on this alien factor rather than supply and demand, cost of raw materials and numerous other recognized factors openly reveals that the existing inflation is an artificial one by virtue of the name of this new factor alone.

One doesn't necessarily have to be an economic expert to realize that to continue a policy of forcing the consumer to defray the labor costs of corporations will not only force the solvency of the average citizen on Main Street, U.S.A. to the brink of disaster but will jeopardize the national treasury as well by the inevitable decline in the individual Federal income tax and unemployment dole if for no other reason at all.

Returning to the local front, Postmaster Summerfield's mail carriers and the nation's dogs making the headlines once again recalls a local news item of several weeks ago which informed us that the city of Norfolk, Virginia has more licensed dogs and less licensed voters than any city in Virginia, and incidentally, this suburb of Portsmouth, Virginia where yours truly hangs his hat, has often been somewhat accurately reputed as having more dogs than babies. We've been misled, Al Capp, are you sure Dogpatch is in Slobberia?

J. V. (JOE) HOCKMAN, P.S.

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Veteran Labor Booster Passes in Atlanta, Ga.

L. U. 84, ATLANTA, GA.—It was with great sadness that we received the news of William A. Cetti's death. He was president of the Georgia AFL-CIO, and one of organized labor's greatest advocates. Bill Cetti fought organized labor's fight for 40 years in Atlanta, and was beloved and respected by all who knew him. He had but one driving ambition—to better the world for all its occupants.

Bill was a member of the Painters L.U. 193 and became its president thirty-three years ago. He has been on the Painters District Council No. 38 for as many years. He was vice president of the S. E. Building Trades Council, secretary-treasurer of the Atlanta Building and Construction Trades Council and trustee of the Atlanta Federation of Trades. He also served on several other civic committees. After being unanimously elected

president of the Georgia Federation of Labor at the State Convention in 1956, he was again the unanimous choice at the Merger Convention of the AFL-CIO in 1957.

Bill Cetti was indeed a man of whom all organized labor can be proud. Let us not forget him, and those like him who have done so much for all of us. Although he is gone, his deeds will remain a reality and his memory will live forever in the hearts of his friends.

W. E. BACOT, P.S.

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Pre-Spring Lull Felt By Fresno Local 100

L. U. 100, FRESNO, CALIF.—The news from our local is mainly winter weather and "leisure." Local residential building is pretty well pinched off, and industrial construction is in a lull, preparing for spring and summer.

Bakersfield Local 428 has caught up on its work for the present, and our men have returned from there.

Some of our members were working on the Kaiser Steel Plant at Fontana, California. However, this collapsed suddenly, and our boys came home, dragging their emaciated bank account behind them. Our bench is sagging, and will be for a while till spring construction starts.

Black Rock Power House, and Mammoth Pool Dam, in the mountains, will help us when the snow melts. The work at Mammoth Pool this year will be at the dam site of the new earth-filled dam. A handful of our boys are up there now wiring the bunkhouses, and engineers are building roads. The thing most inquirers don't seem to understand is that our employment at this dam will be a "damsite" less than the work on the Power house proper, which may be as much as a year from now in starting. Lemoore Air Base, like

"the mills of the gods," is grinding slowly through the land buying and preparatory stages. We hope to get started there some time this summer.

We have just had an election of officers. Robert Bruce returned as business manager, Fred Hardy is the new president, Warren Wilson returned as secretary, Charlie Barile is the new vice president, and John Bigham the new treasurer. Harry Yager, Roy Earl, Chet Miller, Harry Rothermel, Joe Chirchirillo, and John Rippe make up the new Executive Board. The Examining Board members are Melvin Decker, Don Hord, and Don Wright.

A new contract was negotiated by our officers. It gave us 15 cents on January 1st, and 10 cents more on March 1st, plus a four percent vacation fund, plus 10 cents an hour health and welfare.

We are having some trouble with District 50 United Construction Workers, a branch of the United Mine Workers, who are trying to "horn in" on the building trades here. Brother Lloyd Myers, our former president, who is also president of the Building Trades, is planning strategy with the union lawyers to combat this. So far, they have only attempted residential work.

While the present is slow we look forward to full employment when big construction gets under way in early summer.

R. P. (FLASH) GORDON, P. S.

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Four Paterson Members Join Pension Rolls

L. U. 102, PATERSON, N. J.—Over 250 members of Local Union 102, IBEW enjoyed a luscious steak dinner held to honor the new pensioned members who are the recipients of the Local Union Joint Pension Fund in the amount of \$50 per month.

The affair was held at Joe Pipp's,

Ink Contract with Neon Sign Co.

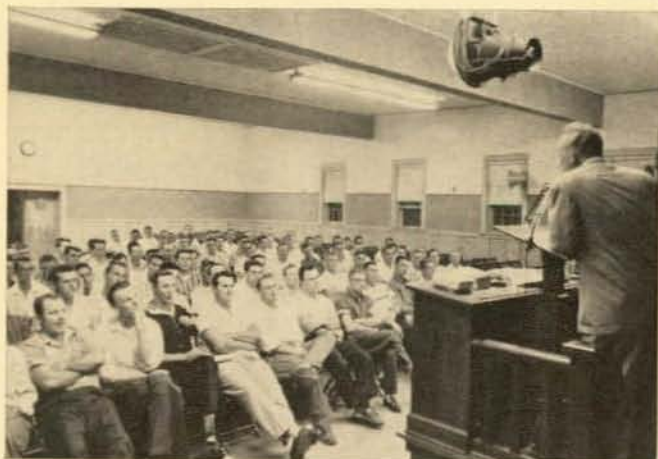


In this scene, as representatives of Local 108, Tampa, Fla., and the Neon Sign Co. come to an agreement, are, from left: Brother R. E. Herrick; Brother Howard J. Henderson; Brother Peter Tripolino; Mr. R. A. Bussard; Mr. R. H. Patrick; Brother A. W. Schmidt, business manager, and Mr. Frank Cinchett.

Highlights from Kansas City Local 124



Local 124, Kansas City, Mo., sends us this group of photos indicative of their varying activities. Above is seen their welding class.



Business Manager Harvey addresses a meeting of apprentices, at left. At right, Business Representative William Stack and Charles Kramer examine transformers at Independent Electric.



Their fifty-year pins are proudly received by Brothers Mont E. Silvey and Ralph Martin and just as proudly bestowed by Business Manager Harvey.

caterers, at West Broadway, Paterson, New Jersey. The four new pensioned members will receive in addition to their local pension, \$50 a month from the International office. The members in the above picture are, Business Manager Samuel Moskowitz, Stephen Nebesnack, Hasbrouck Gurnee, James Murdock and Roland Wood.

Special emphasis was placed upon Roland Wood who holds the distinction of being the first member of Local Union 102, to hold a 50 year old card. He received a diamond studded pin and a beautifully engraved certificate from the International office.

Business Manager Samuel Moskowitz acted as toastmaster reviewing the history of the local union since its inception 57 years ago.

PRESS SECRETARY

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Significant Advances In Tampa Contract

L. U. 108, TAMPA, FLA.—“What a Winter!” Guess we will have to go north to get warm. Snow flurries were seen in our fair city for the first time by many of the natives, but

I guess we can stand an off season once every 50 to 100 years.

Last November, our inside wiremen completed negotiations, in which a scale of \$3.35 per hour was arrived at. Also in the process we eliminated a dual scale that has been a headache for both the union and the contractors.

The Neon Sign Unit completed its negotiations in December. A formal signing was arranged for which the contractors picked up the check. I am enclosing a picture of this event.

Our Construction Line Unit negotiations ran a few days past the anniversary date, but in the end, we arrived at a two-step scale which brings us up to \$3.40 per hour. The conclusion of this agreement was the last of nine that (being a mixed local) we are required to enter every year. We start over again in May.

The last quarter of 1957 was not very good as far as the work of construction work was concerned. We have quite a large number of our members on the bench at this writing. Only for the assistance given us by other locals this number would be quite a bit larger.

One of our troubles is the great number of IBEW members, who with the first blast of winter, pick up their tools and tramp into our State. They

feel that with the comparatively mild weather that this is a good place to spend the winter; and when no work is available, are of course disappointed. When you add to these visitors, the non-card people who flow into the State, we really have a problem. We are able to check this condition to some extent with the establishment of county examination and licensing, and as most of the inspectors in these set-ups are members of 108, we are able to control it to some extent.

We believe that with some of the work that is just coming up, we will be able to have most of our membership working by the end of February, but do not expect to be able to accommodate any travelers.

Some months back, with the help of Brother Walter Lightsey (member of the Florida Industrial Commission) and Professor J. A. Morrison from the University of Florida, a class was set up for the purpose of training steward teachers. Brother Lightsey spent quite a lot of time and research in the development of the slap board, the printed cards and the book-form text that accompanies the course was a major project. The course that these teachers give re-

quires a 20-hour period. Also tied in is a six-hour class on safety. These classes are also open to any member who wishes to get the benefits, and thereby qualify to function in a steward capacity should he be called upon.

AL KAISER, P. S.

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Battle Lines Drawn on Colorado "Right-to-Work"

L. U. 111, DENVER, COLO.—Negotiations are under way at the present time with the line contractors of Colorado and also with Morgan County R.E.A. at Fort Morgan, Colorado. Our members with the Davey Tree Expert Company settled for a 5½ percent wage increase. We expect to begin negotiations with the Public Service Company of Colorado early in March.

The members of Unit 12 in Fort Morgan, Colorado, held a dinner on January 17th. This was open to the families, and was enjoyed by all who attended. The attendance was much better than we get at union meetings.

Here at Local 111, we are casting about for ideas which will generate more interest in union affairs. We are taking steps to establish a credit

Local 134 Participates in Atomic Pact



A contract was recently signed between the Argonne Atomic Trades Council, including Local 134, Chicago, Ill., and the Argonne National Laboratory. Those present (reading left to right seated): W. D. Collins, executive secretary, AATC and secretary-treasurer, Local 321, Building Service Employees' International Union; T. J. Murray, president, AATC and business representative, Local 134; G. H. Dickerson, Jr., assistant business manager, ANL, and R. A. Wesley, employe relations manager, ANL. Standing: E. H. Rieck, business representative, Local 507, United Association of Journeymen and Apprentices of the Plumbing and Pipefitting Industry; R. Frega, business representative, District Council 30, Brotherhood of Painters, Decorators and Paperhangers of America; B. O. Lofgren, business representative, United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America; D. O. Sark, president, Local 726, International Brotherhood of Teamsters; L. M. Burkey, Jr., legal counsel, AATC; W. F. McConnell, superintendent of Materials Handling Department, ANL; S. D. Golden, attorney, ANL; G. H. Barton, personnel representative, ANL, and B. Evans, director of Plant Services Division, ANL.

union for our members. We are setting up a training course for stewards, and mailing out a newsletter once each month. We figure that if we can create interest, it should build attendance at meetings, which in turn should build more interest in union affairs.

At this time it looks as though another attempt will be made this year to get a so-called "Right-to-Work" law in the State of Colorado, this time through a Constitutional amendment. Organized labor in Colorado must prepare for a life or death battle on this one.

JIM KELSO, Asst. B. M.

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Unemployment Plagues Kansas City Local

L. U. 124, KANSAS CITY, MO.—In most instances New Year's resolutions are made with complete sincerity. However, as Press Secretary of Local Union No. 124, and official photographer for our organization, I resolved in the ensuing year that I was going to contribute articles periodically, to the finest Labor Journal in the American labor movement. This last I say "without reservation."

To keep my resolution, I am submitting photographs as follows:

One photo shows the awarding of 50-year pins to Brothers Mont E. Silvey and Ralph Martin by Business Manager Harvey. As you know, Brother Silvey represented Local Union No. 124 for many years. At the presentation, Brother Silvey made a remark which should always be remembered by our members, and it is as follows: "The union owes me nothing throughout the years. I am deeply indebted to our union for what it has done for me."

A second photo shows a welding class. Local Union 124 members, who are thinking of their profession, enrolled in the welding class established by Business Representative Joe Morasch. These men are to be commended. They have vision.

Another of our pictures refers to our apprentices. Local Union No. 124 is very proud of the apprentices, and the daytime schooling inaugurated in 1956. Picture No. 3 shows Business Manager Harvey addressing apprentices at one of their periodic meetings held for apprentices on trade unionism and the duties of an apprentice.

Still another photo shows Business Representative William Stack, and Executive Committee member of the Armature Division, Charles Kramer, examining transformers at the shop of the Independent Electric and Machinery Company.

I am going to ring off this time until our next edition. May I ask you to bear with me for future articles.

Incidentally, unemployment has plagued Local Union No. 124 for 2½ months. May I ask the Brothers not to contact our local union at this time for employment. However, the outlook is good for the latter part of 1958, 1959 and 1960.

WILBUR OTTO, P.S.

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Chicago Local Members At Atomic Energy Lab

L. U. 134, CHICAGO, ILL.—The Argonne National Laboratory at Lemont, Illinois is the site of much scientific research and development in the Atomic Energy Field in the United States. It is a rewarding thought to know that the Electricians employed at the laboratory are members of Local Union No. 134 and that the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers is taking part in the development of nuclear energy which is of such importance to the Electrical Workers of the future.

The enclosed photograph was taken on the occasion of the renewal of a joint agreement with the Atomic Trades Council, of which Local Union No. 134 is a part, which provides for a substantial wage increase and fringe benefits.

WILLIAM FORKAL, Steward
Argonne National Laboratory

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Alert to New Ohio "Right-to-Work" Drive

L. U. 212, CINCINNATI, OHIO—The subject of this letter shall be one of the utmost importance to all of the Brotherhood locals in the state of Ohio, that is, the desire of several committees to again put the "Right-to-Work" bill up in an attempt to make it a law in the state of Ohio.

In the past, this dirty, union-killing bill has been killed in committee but right now, written petitions are being circulated to get the necessary number of signatures (which I believe is around 358,000) to get it on the ballots for the coming election in November.

The petitions are being circulated all over the state and are appearing in the most unlooked for places. I wish that I had actual knowledge of the exact places that are offering these petitions for your signature so that I could tell you.

I do not have to tell you people what the infamous Taft-Hartley has done to all labor unions throughout this country, do I? Just ask any of the states that are so unlucky as to have the "Right-to-Work" bill on their books. Our own neighboring state of Indiana has the law on the books as of now.

The members of Local 212 can re-

member very well a couple of years ago when we had our own union members out of work and men who had never contributed one dime toward the support of any local union worked anyway. Why? Because this very Taft-Hartley bill protected this man from being laid off and gave that particular employer or contractor the whip hand over any business manager who asked him to replace the man with a union man.

To top all of this tripe, when our present Administration took office, President Eisenhower stated that he believed that the Taft-Hartley bill should be amended. Did he ever do it? No. And just recently he issued a set of new laws that he thought should be made labor laws in this country. Now all of us agree, there have been some people connected with labor who have left a dark brown taste in our mouths, but all of us should not have to pay for a few bad apples in the barrel. Therefore, I believe it is the job and duty of every member of every local union in the state of Ohio to volunteer services when and if called upon to go out and talk against this "Right-to-Work" bill.

Remember to tell your friends and all the members of your families that they are not to sign that petition. All labor unionists here in Cincinnati are united in this battle to stop this petition from getting the required number of signatures to put it on the November 1958 ballot. This can be done, but it will require a lot of team work and we are proud to say that labor here in the Queen City has the enlisted aid of the ladies who have formed the Hamilton County League of Women AFL-CIO, and are now in their second year. They are doing very well indeed and have the complete backing of the locals in Cincinnati. To all of you in the State of Ohio, please give of your time and efforts to stop this octopus law from engulfing the Buckeye State in its unhealthy grip!

The other news here and about the Queen City concerns our work, and I can say we are holding our own in the work situation, and hope we can continue to do the same for a long time to come.

At this time of the year we are preparing for the coming bowling tournament to be held in Detroit, Michigan on May 9th, 10th and 11th. You will note that this is the second weekend in May and that takes us away from the first weekend which all of us know is the time of the world famous Kentucky Derby at Churchill Downs, Louisville, Kentucky. I have heard so many people say if only they would change the date of the Derby we would not miss either the Derby or the bowling tournament.

Well now, we can see both, so let's hope the bowling tournament at Detroit will be the biggest and best yet.

At this time I want to thank our Apprentice Training Committee consisting of Ray Hauck, chairman, George Hackett, and D. H. Johnson, for the good work on this so important a job to any union.

With a parting thought to you to lend all your efforts to beat this "Right-to-Work" law in this state of Ohio, once again I shall say *au revoir* from Local 212's Newshound.

E. M. SCHMITT, P.S.

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Words of Praise for Sioux City Officer

L. U. 231, SIOUX CITY, IOWA—Local 231 is going along with routine but important matters in the interest of the members. Its officers are operating faithfully. Business Manager Tom Dugan is working diligently and certain committee members are making progress.

Brother Tom Dugan has accomplished a great deal in this area, including completion of negotiations with the REA Co-Op at LeMars and Cherokee, Iowa; was instrumental in establishing the \$3.00 per hour Sioux City scale from a predetermined scale of \$2.00 per hour, under the Davis-Bacon Act, on a \$1,300,000.00 addition to a hospital at Estherville, Iowa; has successful and hopeful prospects in Spirit Lake, Spencer, Pauline, Ida Grove, Iowa and Wayne, Nebraska. Tom works hard and although the results of his efforts do not always materialize at once, his work is showing progress.

The Negotiating Committee is at present meeting with the contractors, and President Tim Murray, Chairman, advises that a report should be available during the next month.

Local 231 lost another loyal and valuable friend when, on January 18, 1958, J. H. "Heinie" Engebrigstson passed away after a three-week illness following a heart attack. "Heinie" had worked for the Electric Engineering Company for many years, up to the time of his retirement about three years ago. He was a charter member of Local 231 when it was organized in May 1916, and had been a member of old L.U. 47 for many years before Local 231 was chartered. "Heinie's" widow will particularly feel his loss as he was her stand-by due to her own ill health. It is comforting to know this local has a death benefit for use in times like these. "Heinie" had been very active in union affairs; he was a conscientious electrician, had a good disposition and a great sense of humor. He will be greatly missed.

With the passing of a good union member it is well to recount our own efforts and try to "keep the ball rolling" by doing our share to promote the welfare of the organization which



TO LABOR

Shall you complain who feed the world?

Who clothe the world?

Who house the world?

Shall you complain who are the world,

Of what the world may do?

As from this hour

You use your power,

The world must follow you.

The world's life hangs on your right hand,

Your strong right hand,

Your skilled right hand;

You hold the whole world in your hand—

See to it what you do!

Or dark or light,

Or wrong or right,

The world is made by you!

Then rise as you ne'er rose before,

Nor hoped before,

Nor dared before,

And show as ne'er was shown before,

The power that lies in you!

Stand all as one,

Till right is done,

Believe and dare and do!

—CHARLOTTE PERKINS GILMAN

is working for OUR welfare. It can't be done by just a few.

(Ed. Note: This is a worthy thought Brother and deeply appreciated by the I.O.)

FRED HADLEY, P.S.

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Ohio Local Man Again Leads Central Labor Union

L. U. 245, TOLEDO, OHIO—At a recent meeting of The Central Labor Union, Toledo, Ohio, several events took place which we of Local 245 would like to mention. Brother Frank Fischer of Local 8 was reelected president for the "umpteenth" time and our own Business Manager George Thomas was reelected vice president for a second term. Congratulations Brothers!

As previously reported here the Retail Clerks have been striking LaSalle's department store in Toledo since late last year. At the C.L.U. meeting Brother Thomas offered a resolution requesting all union members and families throughout the county to cancel their charge accounts and refrain from buying at any Macy outlet as a protest to LaSalle's "union breaking" tactics. The resolution was passed unanimously. The C.I.O. has also offered support of this resolution and we pass it on to labor.

Business Manager Thomas and Assistant Business Manager Carl Yenrick attended the recent meeting of the Ohio State Utility Board in Columbus, Ohio. Brother Yenrick reports that arrangements for bargaining in Ohio this year are practically completed.

President Gunselman has appointed Brother Ed Stansfield to fill the vacancy in the Sgt.-At-Arms post.

President Gunselman also appointed Brother James George chairman of the committee for the Annual Officers and Stewards Appreciation Dinner. This will be held at the Toledo Edison Club on March 1st. More later.

Local 245 has a few female members and the ladies and their husbands were treated to dinner at the Sherbrooke Restaurant last week. We understand a fine time was had by all.

Two Brothers to add to our list of retirees enjoying our union pension are Brothers Vernon Parker and Elmer Epler. Brother Parker has been retired from the Toledo Edison for some time but Brother Epler ended active work the last of February. Congratulations Brothers.

PAUL D. SCHIEVER, P. S.

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Shares Training Program Know-How with Local 401

L. U. 270, OAK RIDGE, TENN.—We

have been experiencing some of Hoover's prosperity here in Oak Ridge. That's the kind that's always just around the corner.

From all reports, several other locals are sharing the same experience during the past few months that we have had here for quite some time. Of course we are affected even more when other locals are having their slack periods. This means we have difficulty finding work in other jurisdictions.

We certainly appreciate the courtesy shown our local and its members during our extended recession here in Oak Ridge. Just hope your mild recession will soon be over and you will need some travelers in the near future. This \$33 per week doesn't quite afford us the standard of living most of us desire.

Was pleased to learn we have some readers out in Local 401. Glad to cooperate with you any way we can in setting up your electronic training program. Hope the information was of some benefit to you Brother Miller, in getting this much-needed program started in another I.B.E.W. local.

Negotiations for our new contract will be coming up before long now.

It's only natural that the price of labor is a cause of inflation, because if we sell our labor for nothing, we cannot pay anything for what we buy. That being the case, the Manufacturer will have to come down on his prices. Just after we have all passed on from malnutrition! So keep this in mind before asking for your next wage increase and good luck to all from OPTIMIST Local Union 270.

CHARLES WHITAKER, P. S.

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Seaway Installations Improve Job Prospects

L. U. 275, MUSKEGON, MICH.—Work has been slow for our membership for quite some time now. There are no large jobs in sight at the present time. Our Business Manager Ray Rager has spent a great deal of his time in organizational work and has signed up some new contractors in our outlying territory.

Our prospects for work with the coming of the St. Lawrence Seaway look good. A large warehouse and dock facility is to be built here, also a ship repair dock. We have one large ore freighter docked here for the winter tie up so far and there has been some work aboard by members of our union. The Aquarama did not come back to Muskegon this winter but tied up at Cleveland, Ohio instead.

At the present time we are having trouble with a contractor affiliated with the United Mine Workers. This contractor got the bid on a school job in Ludington, Michigan which we are protesting and picketing. The

United Mine Workers is said to pay one scale for bricklayers, carpenters, laborers etc. Also the carpenters, bricklayers etc. do electrical work. Our case has gone to court with an injunction against our picketing this contractor's job. A final disposition has not been made of this case as yet.

There is a \$3,000,000 county courthouse that will be built in Muskegon next spring. A new stadium or sports arena is also scheduled for construction sometime in 1958. The 2½ million dollar contract has been let for the Walter B. Steele Jr. High School with most of the work to be done in 1958 and 1959.

We have several sons of our members who are now apprentices in our local. William Chappell, son of Slim Chappell, is one. Ted Crevier has a son in our union as has Fred Curow, Charles Schmiede, Clarence Sutton and Carl Ulfsax.

The way work is, the business manager is having a hard time to find work for so many apprentices as we now have but he is doing a good job of it.

Quite a few of our journeymen are on the road working on some of the large projects around the country.

With regard to our Board of Education building program we have McLaughlin School finished by Jones Electric, Nelson Junior High by Hall Electric, Marquette School by Hall Electric and the Community College expansion by Jones Electric.

Bloomquist Electric was awarded the bid for the Walter B. Steele Junior High.

Bloomquist Electric also had the bid for an addition to the city of North Muskegon High School. Marsh Elementary School was also completed in Muskegon.

Carl Ulfsax was foreman for the Nelson project. William Senf was foreman for the Marquette project. Frank Lederers was in charge of the McLaughlin school and Robert Hull was in charge of the Community College expansion. Frank Curtis was foreman on the North Muskegon High School addition.

The Federation of Labor has voted to combine with the Congress of Industrial Organizations here in Muskegon so we have a lot to look forward to in the labor movement locally.

JAMES DAVIS, P. S.

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Summarizes Dangers of "Right-to-Work" Laws

L. U. 309, EAST ST. LOUIS, ILL.—At our last regular meeting, State Representative Alan Dixon enlightened members of Local 309 on the "Right-to-Work" laws.

State "Right-to-Work" laws came into vogue as a result of Section

The Electrical Workers'

14(B) of the Federal Taft-Hartley Law which gives the states the power to legislate even more restrictions on union security than exist in the Federal law but the states do not have the power to lighten the Federal restrictions. If Section 14(B) of the Taft-Hartley Law were repealed the state "Right-to-Work" laws would be in effect automatically voided, so far as they concern enterprises covered by the Federal law.

Here's what happened through these so-called "Right-to-Work" laws. Eighteen states have outlawed all forms of union security provisions in collective bargaining agreements between employer and unions. The closed shop and the union shop, as well as any variation of them.

These laws halt or hamper the improvement of the wages, hours, and working conditions of wage and salary earners.

Sub standard wages and poor working conditions—those are major products of "Right-to-Work" laws.

Mr. Dixon was right when he said too many of us have the "Let George do it" attitude. The strength of a union depends on what proportion of the workers belong. In some situations it is impossible for a union to maintain itself without some sort of union security and in all situations, union security gives added strength to a union.

Workers have a normal resentment of the "free rider," the fellow who takes all the benefits but refuses his share of the responsibility.

A very good example of the "free rider" was brought out by Local 347 in the December issue of the *ELECTRICAL WORKERS' JOURNAL*. I hope that all Brother members read this article sent in by Local 347, Des Moines, Iowa. This is what will happen if we as members of the IBEW continue on with the attitude of why should I worry about it, that cannot happen here in Illinois.

We must wake up and realize that it can happen to us here in Illinois. We should take an active part in our local union meetings. We must contact our friends and neighbors and inform them of what can happen to the working people if a "Right-to-Work" law is passed in Illinois. We should contact our state representatives and ask them to do their part in seeing that this law is defeated.

The working people of Illinois were very fortunate last year when this "Right-to-Work" law was defeated. I would say most of us have forgotten all about the law by now.

The organizations that are sponsoring this law have not forgotten about it. They are out working day and night holding meetings with other organizations trying to gain support in order to pass the "Right-to-Work" law.

City Council Says "Thank You" To L.U. 309

Recently the City Council of Edwardsville, Illinois passed a resolution thanking Local 309 of E. St. Louis, and other organizations and clubs, for 1957 Christmas decorations in downtown Edwardsville.

Part of the resolution reads:

"Whereas, the entire project was a demonstration of Community progress and cooperation of which the residents of the City of Edwardsville have just reason to be proud;

"Now therefore be it resolved by the Mayor and the City Council of the City of Edwardsville:

"That the City of Edwardsville, Illinois, does express its appreciation to the various organizations, and clubs of the City together with Electrical Workers Local 309 for the planning and erection of the Christmas decorations in the business section of Edwardsville,

"That Kenneth Evers, (chairman of Community Council of Organizations) the various clubs and organizations and Electrical Workers Local 309 and all who had a part in said project are to be congratulated for their demonstration of civic pride and unity."

We'd say, appreciation well deserved, Local 309!

Remember to tell your family, tell your friends, tell your neighbors, tell anyone who will listen, the "Right-to-Work" law is to destroy or to weaken free American trade unions and to discourage responsible unionism.

We are entering the new year with a bad start as far as the work situation is concerned. Work in our jurisdiction is very slow at the present time. By spring we think work will pick up.

We are sorrowed by the death of one of our members recently. Brother Chaney worked for Illinois Power Company as a line foreman for several years and died on January 4, 1958.

RAY (MOON) MULLINS, P. S.

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Fla. County Fair Finds Permanent Location

L. U. 323, WEST PALM BEACH, FLA.—*The Sunshine Service News*, by Florida Power and Light Company, carries this message:—"HI, THERE, NICE PEOPLE! WELCOME"—Governor LeRoy Collins gave official recognition of the obligation to our guests which we in Florida strive earnestly to fulfill in proclaiming a "Florida Courtesy Week" as the new year started. We all try to brighten the stay of the Tourists and assure them of "that There Welcome." But we are ashamed of our weather this season so far, it's just unusual weather, that's all.

We all should be real proud of our *JOURNAL*. The Christmas Holiday issue was another "award winner." This magazine gives us a world of information on so many and so varied categories, so it suits the fancy of the

most discriminating reader. Then the reports of the local unions across the nation are also informative, constructive and very interesting. We want to thank the members, near and far for their kind comments on my feeble efforts in our December issue.

The Palm Beach County Fair is being held this year at its new location—which from all indications will be a permanent one. It has moved from "pillar-to-post" for a number of years, but now seems to be in a set place. The new buildings are of concrete construction, so this looks very encouraging. The various booths are of the same type also. The West Palm Beach Central Labor Union has secured one of these new booths—and has entered into a contract to use this for a five-year period.

This type of publicity can not be emphasized too highly—to get out among the people and really let "John Q Public" know—for sure—what the Organized Labor Movement has done—is doing—and will be doing in the long distant future.

The regular members of organized labor—the rank and file—should patronize this fair and be seen and be fully conspicuous—in and around this C L U booth. The committee has "a barrel full" of literature from the "parent" organizations as well as some local booklets, circulars and letters, etc etc. Let's hope it is a "whopping success" because we have a story to tell and let's tell it! There's no time like the present time.

We are trying to get the "powers that be" to get the Post Office Department to print the "Labor Day" commemorative postage stamp on large envelopes, so all our local unions throughout the country can purchase these envelopes for their use, and have a postage stamp to signify their profession on their letters.

We are still having an influx of large industrial and manufacturing establishments to many parts of our State. We certainly welcome this southern movement; but sincerely hope that these good people will forget the mistaken idea, that some seem to have, that the South is not too well organized.

We have mentioned this before, more business, and more large business, makes for more progress and makes for more PROBLEMS. We are doing as well as can be expected at this time of the year, and from the "speeches" by some government officials, we have nothing to worry about, THINGS ARE ALL O. K.—?

Here's a caution used by Mary Browning, some time ago, that could be used now.: "KEEP IT DARK!"—"If you've news of our munitions, keep it dark; ships or planes or troops position, keep it dark; lives are lost through conversation. Here's a tip for the duration—If you've private informaton, KEEP IT DARK!"

BENJAMIN G. ROEBER, P. S.

Colored Lights to Play On Grand Coulee Dam

L. U. 497, WENATCHEE, WASH.—Gigantic Coulee Dam in the heart of Central Washington, which has a spectacular spillway 1200 feet broad and some 350 feet in height, will be illuminated next spring by a bank of colored lights.

The \$175,000 project was designed, and component parts were manufactured by Westcoast Electric Company of Seattle. The steel rack, upon which 742, 1500W G.E. flood lights were installed, was prefabricated and constructed by members of LU 497.

There are five colors to be used in a sequence, with a light change each 15 seconds to complete a cycle of 36 minutes, which creates a rainbow effect. A 40-cam mechanism with micro switches and relays, make up an automatic system for light changes with an astronomical clock to begin the sequence at evening and complete it at midnight each day.

Mr. Robert Coates, owner and manager of Westcoast Electric, appointed Mr. Thomas Baillargeon, company engineer to superintend work on the job site. Members of LU 497 and others on the job were Foreman C. L. Wills; Wiremen, Kenneth Green, George Collins, Charles McMillan, Art Hanenberg; and Lineman Frank Means.

We feel that this job, the largest illumination job of its kind to be built to date, will be one of the most spectacular sights to be found in our country today. Needless to say, we are quite proud of it.

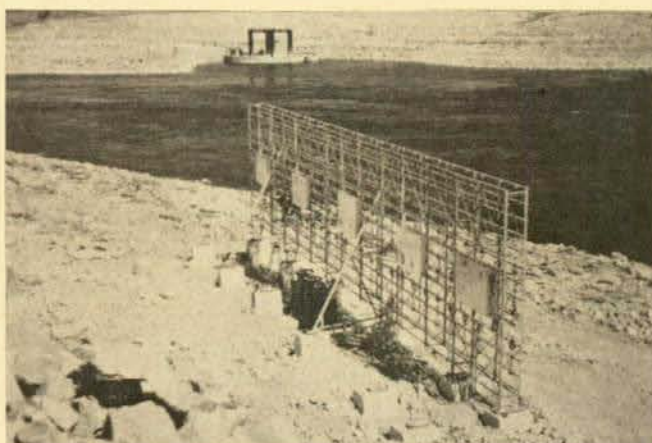
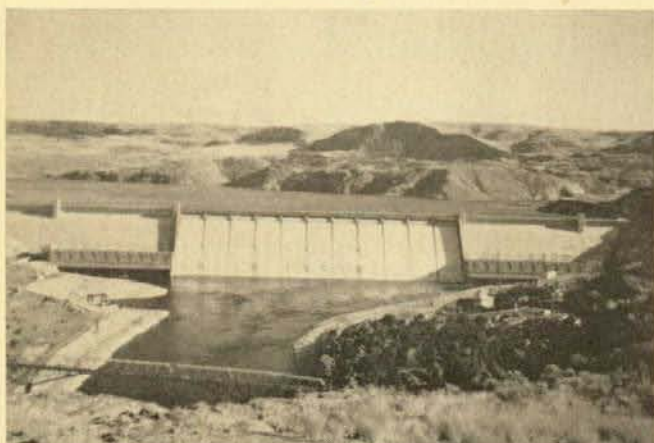
C. L. WILLS, Foreman

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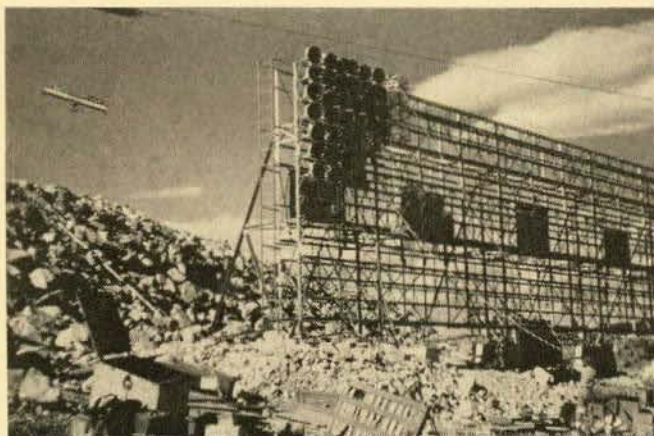
Summarizes Advances Of New Oregon Contract

L. U. 517, ASTORIA, ORE.—Just a note to let you know we of Local 517 of Astoria Oregon have just signed a new contract with the construction contractors of Clatsop County, (ap-

Floodlight Beauties of Grand Coulee Dam



Grand Coulee Dam, whose structure contains 12,000,000 cubic yards of concrete and whose spillway discharges 4,500,000 gallons of water per second at floor stage, and produces almost 3,000,000 h.p. of hydro electric power capacity. It is being fitted with a bank of colored lights by members of Local 497, Wenatchee, Wash. Right: Steel rack, 90 feet long and 26 feet high, to hold 742 1500 Watt colored flood lights to illuminate spillway. Three 250 K. V. A. transformers are source of power.



The work progresses at left while at right the crew poses before the completed project. From left they are: Chas. K. McMillan; Arthur A. Hanenberg; Tom Baillargeon, company engineer; Frank Means, lineman, and C. L. Wills, foreman for the \$175,000 project.

proved by the International January 17th 1958). Beginning February 1st 1958 there will be a 30 cents an hour increase. On July 1st a 20 cent per hour increase and on January 1, 1959, a 10 cent per hour increase making a total of 60 cents per hour increase in wages. The contract is to run until August 1st 1959. This brings our scale into the same or above the prevailing wage scale of the State of Oregon for Electrician Journeymen. All contractors in the area are signing the agreement.

EUGENE KOCH, B. M.

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Pensioner Exhorts Young To Active Membership

L. U. 568, MONTREAL, QUEBEC—

The members present at our last meeting had the pleasure of listening to the appropriate remarks of our latest pensioner, Brother Alfred Alius, on the occasion of his retirement from the trade in December 1957. Brother Alius was initiated in our Local Union in 1934 and although he was eligible for his IBEW pension in 1954, he waited until this past month to apply for his benefits. His main activities in our local have been with our Welfare Committee and he has visited a great many of our hospitalized members, always cheerfully, spreading around him the true spirit of brotherhood. During his address to the membership present, he exhorted the young members especially to take an active interest in the affairs of their union and to look back occasionally upon the benefits acquired through their membership in our local because, and we quote: "When you have reached your retirement age you tend to forget a lot of things and all the years gone by suddenly seem to be condensed into a very short period of time." Brother Alius has volunteered to continue helping the Welfare Committee although he is now retired and his presence at our regular meeting will always be considered a special event worthy of a special guest.

We are sorry to report the death of two more of our members this past month. Brother Réal Potvin died accidentally on January 16th and Brother Fernand Lafrenière died on January 25th after a long illness. Both members were apprentices; our most sincere condolence to the families of those departed Brothers.

Effective January 20th, 1958, the collective labor agreement, negotiated by your local union, and which became effective a year ago, has now been incorporated in the decree relating to the construction industry for the district of Montreal. This means that the union rate for journeymen and apprentices now becomes

the legal minimum wage for the whole industry throughout the district of Montreal; and in addition all apprentices will benefit by an increase from 2 percent to 4 percent in their vacation - with - pay benefits. For further details please consult your shop-steward or call your local union office.

Unemployment has been a bit of a problem this past winter for some of our members, but we are pleased to report that several of them have taken advantage of this slow-down to better themselves by going back to school. Some members, in addition to technical courses, have attended classes in the study of bilingualism (French and English). This may sound unusual, but up to now it is

Pensioner



Brother Alfred Alius has recently taken his pension as a member of Local 568, Montreal, Que., for 24 years.

a recognized fact that bilingualism in Canada was almost exclusively an attribute of French-Canadians. However this exclusiveness is rapidly vanishing. For instance, a French class has been started in Ottawa at the instigation of our English-speaking members of Parliament. It includes 37 members and two of them are ministers. By so doing they benefit themselves, they benefit us and they will thus be of more service to the whole country. The power of speech is a great gift and to help us realize it, you have only to watch closely the expressions on the face of a deaf-mute conversing with another person similarly affected. This power of speech is indeed a double gift when you can use it in two or more languages and we should all use it to its fullest extent in order to better understand one another.

Nominations of officers for the new term of office in our local union will take place in May of this year. We

ask all our members to attend this meeting and to nominate your candidates to the office for which you believe they are best suited. If you are unable to attend the nomination meeting, make it your business to find out who are the candidates nominated and do your utmost to attend the election meeting in June to exercise your power of vote.

Les membres présents à notre dernière assemblée ont eu le plaisir d'entendre les remarques appropriées de notre plus récent pensionnaire, le confrère Alfred Alius, à l'occasion de sa retraite du métier en décembre 1957. Le confrère Alius s'est joint à nos rangs en 1934 et malgré qu'il était éligible en 1954 pour sa pension il préféra attendre jusqu'à maintenant pour accepter ses bénéfices de pension de l'IBEW. Ses principales activités dans notre union locale ont été avec le Comité Social et du Bien-Etre et ses visites à nos membres hospitalisés au nom du Comité sont innombrables, démontrant à tous son bel esprit de fraternité. Dans ses remarques aux membres présents il exhorta surtout les jeunes à prendre une part active et un intérêt spécial aux affaires de leur union et de jeter un coup d'oeil en arrière de temps en temps afin de mieux réaliser les bienfaits acquis par l'entremise de leur local, car dit-il; "Lorsque vous serez rendus à mon âge vous aurez tendance à en oublier beaucoup et toutes ces années devant vous actuellement vous sembleront soudainement avoir été une période très vite écoulée." Le confrère Alius a en plus offert de continuer à visiter nos malades malgré qu'il est maintenant à sa retraite et sa présence à nos assemblées sera toujours considérée comme une évènement spécial digne d'un invité de marque.

Nous regrettons de vous apprendre la mort de deux autres confrères durant janvier; le confrère Réal Potvin décédé accidentellement le 16 janvier, et le confrère Fernand Lafrenière décédé le 25 janvier à la suite d'une longue maladie; nos plus sincères condoléances aux familles éprouvées de ces deux regrettés confrères.

Effectif le 20 janvier 1958, la convention collective négociée par votre local et signée le 21 janvier 1957, a été incorporée dans le décret relatif à l'industrie du bâtiment pour le district de Montréal- ceci veut dire que le salaire d'union pour les compagnons et les apprentis devient par ce fait le taux de salaire minimum pour toute l'industrie dans le district, et en plus tous les apprentis bénéficieront d'une augmentation de 2% à 4% dans leurs bénéfices de vacances payées. Pour plus de détails à ce propos veuillez consulter votre chef d'atelier ou appeler votre bureau local.

Christmas Celebration in Warren, Ohio



Local 573 holds its annual Christmas party at the Astoria Hotel in Warren, Ohio. About 175 couples attended.

Le chômage a été un problème pour plusieurs de nos membres durant l'hiver dernier, mais nous sommes heureux de constater que plusieurs de nos membres en ont profité pour se perfectionner et non pas seulement dans les matières en électricité mais aussi dans l'étude du bilinguisme, c'est à dire le français et l'anglais. Ceci peut vous surprendre un peu, mais jusqu'à présent c'est un fait reconnu que le bilinguisme était presque exclusivement un attribut des Canadiens-Français; cependant cette exclusivité disparaît rapidement; comme par exemple une classe de Français a été instituée à Ottawa à la demande des Membres du Parlement de langue anglaise, et les cours de français sont suivis par 37 membres dont 2 Ministres; le pouvoir et la faculté de la parole sont des dons précieux, et pour mieux le réaliser vous n'avez qu'à bien examiner l'expression sur le visage d'un sourd-muet conversant avec un autre affligé de la même manière . . . et ce don de la parole est encore plus grand lorsqu'on peut s'en servir dans deux langues ou plus et on devrait tous faire un effort pour se perfectionner et afin de mieux se comprendre les uns les autres.

Les nominations des officiers pour le nouveau terme d'office auront lieu

à l'assemblée du mois de mai. Nous demandons à tous les membres d'assister à cette assemblée afin de mettre en nomination les candidats pour les poste que vous croyez qu'ils sont le plus aptes à remplir; si vous ne pouvez pas assister à cette assemblée informez vous des noms des candidats mis en nominations et faites votre possible pour assister à l'assemblée de juin, qui est l'assemblée d'élection, afin d'exercer votre droit de vote.

LOUIS G. THERIAULT, P. S.

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Annual Christmas Party Of Warren, Ohio, Local

L. U. 573, WARREN, OHIO—Our annual Christmas party was held December 14, 1957 at the Astoria Cafe. The dinner was preceded by a cocktail hour during which time a German band entertained.

There were approximately 175 couples in attendance. There were seven local contractors represented. The dinner was served and afterwards dancing was enjoyed by all.

The committee of Jack Kuptz, chairman, Don Fahndreich and Warren Webb, did a very commendable job of planning the affair.

Our business agent, Bruce Thompson, was master of ceremonies, a job which he is very capable of performing.

Enclosed are pictures taken during the dinner hour and one taken during the after-dinner dancing.

R. K. HORTON, P. S.

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Join in Drive for Adequate Housepower

L. U. 584, TULSA, OKLA.—Our local union, the NECA, electrical warehouses, and the Power Company have joined forces to push the national drive for better housepower. Night-fall finds Brother Charles Montgomery our estimator searching out dim houses and dark corners in our city and leaving a well-lighted path behind.

January finds work good here with the jurisdiction still working a few out-of-town Brothers. However, manufacturing has slowed considerably here and with construction either leading or lagging production, next winter might find us with more leisure time.

Negotiations for inside men are now prepared and we are asking for \$3.80 per hour, including 7½ cents

Local Helps to Brighten Children's Christmas



For Local 584's children's Christmas party in Tulsa, Okla., Brother Glen Henson played Santa Claus, distributing goodies to the delighted young guests.

High Attendance Record in Mississippi



Members of Local 605, Jackson, Miss., attend a meeting of the sub-local at Meadville. This is typical of the fine attendance by this group.

for a welfare plan. The Welfare Committee reports welfare plans working in other locals all over the country making more hospitalization available to members at lower cost. Most of the plans set up a Board of Trustees which determines its own rules of eligibility. All monies received are paid into a fund controlled by this board which then buys blanket insurance. Any surplus money can be used by the board to buy more insurance, increase benefits or pay dividends.

Here are pictures of our Childrens Christmas Party where Brother Glen Henson graciously consented to play Santa Claus.

BOB DOOLEY, P.S.

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Mississippi Members Take Unionism Seriously

L. U. 605, JACKSON, MISS.—The Eisenhower Administration, under the sponsorship and guidance of big business advisers and the Cabinet has been so wrapped up with its endeavor to force a depression on the American people, that it has overlooked our foreign policy, scientific world leadership and perhaps some other things held so dear to the minds and hearts of our patriotic American people.

We know that once our people are aroused and insist that there be some changes made, we will without a doubt remain the world leader of nations as we have for so many years in the past. We know that we have the best country in the world and we have the highest regard for Ike personally, and

he without question has been one of the greatest military leaders the world has ever known, all of which we appreciate very much. However, it is the big business brass "calling his shots" which we don't like and unhesitatingly say so.

We attended a meeting of our sub-local at Meadville, Mississippi recently and there was a very good attendance by the Mississippi Power and Light Company and Contractor employed groups of members. Those brothers down there take their union seriously and we are proud they do. From reports in the past, their attendance record must be at least among the best in the whole brotherhood. So to Brother James E. Harrison, chairman, and the entire membership of that unit, we enjoyed your meeting and courtesy very much, we salute you and say just keep up the good work!

J. W. RUSSELL, P.S.

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Large Plant Construction Boosts Baytown Employment

L. U. 644, BAYTOWN, TEXAS—The members of Local 644 may remember 1957 as a profitable year in many respects. The first and most easily recognized, is that we had an abundance of work after two years during which the majority of our construction members were forced to seek employment elsewhere.

We are grateful for having the opportunity of providing work for a large number of members from our

fellow locals, which were so helpful to us when work was limited here.

This good fortune was made possible by the Humble Oil and Refinery Company, the Gulf Oil Company, and the United Rubber Company adding to their plants located in this area.

The dedication to his duty of our present business manager, Brother E. H. Dommert, and other members of the local have improved employee-employer relations considerably to our mutual benefit. One of these benefits is a more satisfactory wage scale. We feel a discrepancy between our wage rate and the average wage rate of the area has been adjusted. We relinquished all fringe benefits in lieu of cash. This brings a benefit to employee and employer as well. The employer is relieved of the responsibility and burden of administering part of the employees' wages. The employee receives his wage in full as it is earned and can exercise his inherent right to administer it as he sees fit.

Our apprentice training program has been re-established after being dormant for several years. This program has been lagging because of lack of work in the jurisdiction. We feel that it is vital to the well being of the organization and should be maintained continuously. With the prospects for more and steadier work in the future, we hope this will be possible.

Brother Ray Holcomb is doing a good job instructing a fine group of boys. We expect to be proud of them when they turn out as journeymen wiremen.

This may be a little late getting this to press, but Happy New Year.

D. D. MILLARD, P.S.

Describes Highlights Of Pa.-Fla. Excursion

L. U. 654, CHESTER, PA.—Writing this letter under the "sunny skies" of Florida, is a new experience to this correspondent. Did we say "sunny skies?" To be truthful, we have been here for a week and the sun and warm weather have been conspicuous by their absence.

However, being an optimist from away back, we are confident of enjoying the visit and the rest of our stay, knowing the present weather will not last and that warmth and sunshine are on the way to Florida.

Our trip down was through familiar cities, towns and states, but what changes have taken place since our last visit. Modern motels recently built and in course of construction are thicker than gas stations; many of them adjacent to nationally famous restaurants, thus combining a place of rest with a place to dine. Such conveniences enable the tourists to travel greater distances daily than in the past.

All states along the routes are building new dual highway roads; many towns and cities are being bypassed. So much so that in a few years North and South should be continuously joined by ribbons of concrete.

Clearwater is one of the most beautiful cities on the west coast of Florida, having the highest coastal elevation in the State, and two miles of unsurpassed white sandy beach. It is the second fastest-growing city in

the United States; is one of the better middle-income retirement spots and has many mansions and showplaces.

Florida is rapidly becoming known as a commercial and industrial State. Heavy construction plays an important part in its life. Guided missile sites; aeroplane factories; electronics equipment concerns and allied parts plants are employing thousands of construction workers.

While it is good to get away for a spell, we think of our many friends and acquaintances "up North" and no doubt will be glad to rejoin them on our return.

Will also miss the Local Union meetings and the opportunity to needle and be needled.

Hope all is well at 654—that the years ahead will be its best years.

J. A. (Doc) DOUGHERTY, P.S.

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New Fla. Pact Features "Considerable Improvement"

L. U. 682, ST. PETERSBURG, FLA.

—It is again a pleasure to report that the amendments to our working agreement have been approved and our members are enjoying the considerable improvements made this year. The system committee is to be congratulated on the excellent job done negotiating this agreement.

After acceptance of the contract by the local unions, our system council

Business Manager R. R. Kyle, and M. F. Bunnell, manager of industrial relations for the company, conducted a series of joint meetings with supervisors and union officers and stewards. At these meetings, provisions and changes in the working agreement were discussed. The information gained by both supervisory personnel and union stewards has played a big part in making the agreement work. Our business manager reports that this year's meetings met with the usual success. We feel that through joint meetings considerable improvement in our already good relations and a better understanding of the agreement follows.

We were honored by having Brother Frank Roche, president of the Florida Federation of Labor, accept our invitation to sit in on one of these meetings in St. Petersburg. There were many improvements in working conditions and clarification of provisions, plus a packaged increase of 8 percent of which 6.53 percent was wage increase. Also included in the contract was a greatly improved hospital plan and three weeks vacation for 12 years service, to begin during the employees' 12th year of employment. Also included was a guarantee of union wages and working conditions for work the company finds necessary to contract out. Two other fine provisions are, to pay an employee's travel time to return home each day if he is working in a radius of 40 miles from headquarters and if in excess of 40 miles to pay room and board. The length of the agreement is one year.

I would like to say a word here about R. R. Kyle, our business manager, whose picture you see signing the agreement. Since he took a leave of absence from his work to devote full time to union business, we have had a model local. Certainly our fine company relations, excellent working conditions, and improved contracts year after year are a credit to Bob Kyle.

M. L. OVERTON, P. S.

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Attend Ground-Breaking Ceremonies and Banquet

L. U. 712, NEW BRIGHTON, PA.—Our local recently was honored by having some of our International officers present at our ground-breaking ceremonies and banquet held on November 11th. The guests in attendance were International Secretary Joseph Keenan, International Vice President Joseph Liggett, and International Representatives Ted Naughton and Andy Johnson. It was with a feeling of great personal pride on the part of every member of our local that we greeted our honored

Locals Sign Pact in Florida



Present at the signing of the recently negotiated working agreement between the Florida Power Corporation and the Locals 433, 626, 682, 1412 and 1491 were: (seated left to right) R. R. Kyle, business manager of System Council, signing for the union; J. S. Gracy, vice president of the Florida Power Corporation, signing for the company, and Frank Roche, president of the Florida Federation of Labor. Standing: M. F. Bunnell, manager of Industrial Relations, and Dwight Pickett, president of System Council.

Break Ground for New Brighton Local



International Secretary Joseph D. Keenan shown speaking at left at Local 712's ground-breaking ceremonies for that local's new home in New Brighton, Pa. Right: at Local 712's recent ground-breaking ceremonies are pictured left to right: International Secretary Joseph Keenan; Joseph Liggett, Third District vice president; Michael Baker; Bud Christener, and Business Manager Michael Namadan.

guests and had them participate in our proceedings.

We are endeavoring to build one of the finest local union office buildings in western Pennsylvania. We feel that with the great personal help of Vice President Joseph Liggett, the dream of having our own home will be fulfilled. Our members are proud to be in the Third District which Brother Liggett so ably serves. Our building could not be erected without his diligent assistance.

I am enclosing some photographs that were taken at the groundbreaking ceremonies and banquet.

Our employment outlook for 1958 seems fairly good, although it seems not quite so favorable as the previous year. The majority of our larger jobs are finishing and only a few are in prospect of starting. We have quite a few commercial jobs underway with more to begin.

Our bowling league is progressing quite well and it won't be long before we hold our banquet. The Entertainment Committee is to be congratulated on a job well done, including the banquet held for the groundbreaking ceremonies.

Brother Ronnie Algers is coming along fine after breaking his ankle in an accident while installing Christmas lighting. Brother "Goat" Whitley is back to work after a few weeks of convalescence. Brother Slim Borman is still off sick and we hope it won't be too long before he can return to work. We were all saddened recently by the death of Brother Michael Sinchak who passed away after an accident of carbon monoxide poisoning. He was one of our younger members, being only 27 years of age.



Seated at front table at Local 712's banquet are seen (clockwise): Mrs. Andrew Johnson; International Representative Johnson; International Secretary Joseph Keenan; Joseph Liggett, Vice President, Third District; and International Representative Ted Naughton.

We will all miss him. We will especially miss his smile and jovial disposition.

MARTY M. TEMPERANTE, P. S.

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Hopeful of Raise in Knoxville Negotiations

L. U. 760, KNOXVILLE, TENN.—I'll try to tell you how things are in Knoxville. For one thing there is very little construction work going on at present in our jurisdiction. So if you are working please keep your present job until you are sure you have another one. We have men on the bench and no out-of-town calls either. But of course we hope to get some out-of-town calls soon.

We are in negotiations with several of our utilities. We hope to get a pretty good raise for we have completed our T.V.A. negotiations and the T.V.A. maintenance electricians and linemen got a pretty good raise, and hourly employees got a 10-cents-an-hour raise plus 50 cents per day on their transportation allowance. They also got a few fringe benefits.

We finally sold the building we owned on North Central and let the Pension Fund borrow the money.

C. H. GARRETT, P. S.

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Sponsoring Journeyman Electronics School

L. U. 816, PADUCAH, KY.—Local

Golden Anniversary Marked in Baltimore



Brother George F. Smith, Local 865, receiving 50-year pin and scroll from President J. J. Cantwell, at left, in ceremonies in Baltimore, Md. Center: two 50-year men, members of Local 865, Brothers Smith and Everitts. Right: Retired General Chairman Harry J. Doyle, 50-year member George F. Smith, and General Chairman E. A. Fisher at scroll presentation.



General Foreman E. C. Muly and former General Foreman George F. Smith.

Union 816 recently presented its 4th Annual Christmas Party, on Saturday night December 21. There were a number of beautiful prizes for the children and for adults too, given away. There was a magnificent Christmas Tree surrounded by hundreds of bags of candy, apples, oranges and nuts. We were most fortunate in securing the services of old Santa for that night. We had fruit cake, coffee and cold drinks for refreshments. We were proud to have as our guests the orphans from the Friendly Home, here in Paducah. The committee, composed of Alan Koebel, chairman; Tom Nace, W. C. English, Ed. Callender, Don Utley, H. D. Cook, and many others, did an excellent job. Our chaplain, Brother Howard Pierce, led us in a beautiful prayer, said a few words relative to the occasion and initiated the singing of Christmas carols. All really enjoyed themselves in an atmosphere of friendly brotherly love. Congratulations to all concerned for a job well done.

The local union is sponsoring an electronics school for journeymen. There are approximately 25 enrolled now. The school is to run for two and one-half months and deals mostly with math as applied to electricity.

We hope it is a success and that more of the same follows.

The local union, along with other crafts of the Building Trades Council, is sponsoring an amateur boxing show at our hall, with all of the proceeds going into the Polio Fund.

At this meeting the local Building and Construction Trades Council, of which Local Union 816 is a part, is still involved in the strike on Barkley Dam, against the United Construction Workers and the Wasson Coal Mining Corporation. We are maintaining an "around the clock" picket line on the project, with all of the crafts participating. It is most difficult for a layman to understand why a Governmental Agency would allow an organization, which defies Federal regulations regarding the filing of anti-Communist affidavits, to work on a Federal project.

Our employment situation seems to worsen almost daily. There is some hope for a little relief in the spring, even though it is still in the rumor stage, as far as the writer knows.

The local union, along with the other crafts of the Building Trades Council took part in the dedication of the Intrafaith Chapel at Riverside Hospital. Labor donated its services and the contractors furnished the material for this badly-needed facility.

Local Union 816 is most appreciative to Local 760, Knoxville, Tennessee, for the cooperation and kindness shown in presenting one of our retired members, Brother Sam Beasley, with his 45 year pin. Perhaps someday our local can reciprocate for all of the courtesies shown us by all of our sister locals.

WM. O. PRESSON, P. S.

Brother George F. Smith Is Fifty-Year Member

L. U. 865, BALTIMORE, MD.—At our regular meeting of Thursday November 14th, 1957, Brother George F. Smith was presented a scroll and



Mr. and Mrs. John W. Grove of Relay, Maryland, celebrated their 45th wedding anniversary on November 28, 1957. Mr. Grove is a member of Local 865, and retired December 29, 1950, from Mt. Clare Shops, Baltimore, Md., where he was an electrical worker-crane operator. The Groves have five children and 14 grandchildren.

a 50-year pin for 50 years continuous membership in the IBEW.

Some of the old timers attended this meeting. They are as follows: Brother Harry J. Doyle, retired general chairman, Brother E. A. Fisher, general chairman, Brother Jimmy Everitts also a 50-year man, Brother C. G. Johnson, general foreman, Camden Road Force, Brother E. C. Muly, general foreman, Electrical Department, Mt. Clare Shops, Brother Walter A. Owens, foreman, line gang, Camden Road Force and Brother Bill Knight.

Brother Doyle spoke about the old times when if you had a union card you had to keep it quiet if you wanted to work. Brother Frank Smith and Brother Jimmy Everitts and others have paved the way to give a decent wage to the mechanics of today, he also said "they had guts enough to keep quiet and stick with the union regardless of threats."

Frank Smith has always helped

every one. To date he has received through pensions two thirds of all he has paid in the union and also has a paid-up \$1,000 life insurance policy.

Brother Fisher, our general chairman said, there was nothing he could add to what had already been said. He did say this was the first time he had ever seen a member presented with a 50-year pin.

Brother Smith seemed very well pleased with his 50-year pin, and he also spoke about some of the old times and old timers.

President Brother Cantwell had his kodak and pictures were taken of the presentation and also pictures of retired general chairman Doyle and general chairman Fisher. Brother Fisher said he was glad to see the old timers and hoped to see them at some of our future meetings.

C. HOWARD MELVILLE, R. S.

Member Killed in Highway Accident

L. U. 890, JANESVILLE, WIS.—It was a sad day for Local 890 when Brother Tom J. Chier was killed by a car November 22, 1957. He was walking to get gas for a stalled company truck when the unfortunate accident happened.

Tom was a member of a Milwaukee IBEW local and was about to be accepted into Local 890. He was born in Berlin, Wisconsin on June 13, 1909. He attended Green Lake High School and served for four years in the Navy. He married Dorothy Heidel in Covington, Kentucky on September 20, 1941. He leaves three sons, Michael, David and Patrick at home—R. 5, Janesville, Wisconsin.

Local 890 members who knew and worked with Tom will always remem-

ber him for his generosity, humor and as a hard worker. The few months that I worked with Tom were very pleasant and agreeable. I know Local 890 members will miss him for a long time to come.

On December 22, 1957 Local 890 once again had its children's Christmas party. In spite of the miserable weather, we had a very good turnout.

As usual we had plenty of good food and refreshments. The children's gifts were handed out by Brother Max Carroll who portrayed the part of Santa Claus. Sister Pat Cullen wrapped and sorted the gifts, a job which was well done. Much credit is due the entire Entertainment Committee, who worked hard to get things in order and planned out everything to the best interests of all.

We missed Brother H. G. Ring-

Scenes from Janesville Yule Fete



The views seen at left and below are of the party given by Local 890, Janesville, Wis., for their children at Christmas time. At right are members of the Entertainment Committee. From left: Cliff Augenstein; Financial Secretary Art Cullen; John Wanninger; Business Manager C. L. Carroll; Meredith Richter; Jerry Cagney, and Paul Gille.



Local 963 Wires Sears Store



The completed project: the new department store of Sears Roebuck & Co. in Kankakee, Ill., a model of modern industrial design inside and out.



The crew that did the wiring: members of Local 963, Kankakee, pose before the entrance.

hardt, Local 890's president. He was attending the wedding of his daughter, Carole, in the State of Texas, at which his son, Rev. Wesley Ringhardt, officiated.

We will miss Sister Carole Bantley at our future picnics and parties to which she contributed much time and energy to help make the events successful.

As of January 1, 1958 Local 890 received a 15-cent-an-hour pay raise, which brings our scale to \$3.35 per hour.

The Bargaining Committee and Business Manager C. L. Carroll deserve much credit for negotiating the pay raise successfully.

Work at this time is good. And may we have as good a year as we had in 1957 or even better.

C. J. BONOMO, P. S.

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Travelers Returning To Full Employment

L. U. 953, EAU CLAIRE, WIS.—Construction work is going good in our area at present. It has been a

long time since we have had most of our tramp members working in our own jurisdiction. We also are happy to have some very good fellows working here who are members of nearby sister locals. It is a pleasure to return favors that these sister locals have done for us in recent years. We hope the jobs in progress now will not taper off too soon this spring before other jobs get going. Some of our members are still far away. Louis Prim is at Idaho Falls, Idaho. Gordon Mathison is at Tucson. Charles Lathier, Bert Miller, Bill Ware, Max Folsom, and Claud Schoonover are in California. Dick Lindgren is at Colorado Springs, Colorado. A few others are scattered here and there.

Stuart Brumberg has resigned as assistant business manager. He has done a lot of good work for our local and deserves a lot of appreciation.

Congress is in session again so it's time to be good citizens and write letters to our Congressmen and Senators expressing our opinions and ideas about important matters. Tell them what you think of foreign aid and the defense program. There are

a lot of fantastic ideas floating around Washington about new laws and amendments to old ones to curb the rights of labor, so Brothers lets get busy and write to those law makers with regard to these matters and several other items of importance to us.

SHORTY PRESTON, P. S.

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Sears Department Store Called Ultra-Modern

L. U. 963, KANKAKEE, ILL.—Once more I take pen in hand and try to report a little news from this local's jurisdiction. As in the past, at this time of year, winter work is pretty slow right now. Several of the jobs that were started last spring and summer have been completed and not many new ones have taken their place. Fortunately, most of our local members are working at home, with the greater number of permit men that were here last summer being laid off. However, the work situation is still fairly healthy for this time of year.

We are fortunate in having two large state institutions in our area—the Kankakee State Hospital and Manteno State Hospital. Besides employing several of our members the year around, our local shops get several contracts from these institutions on new buildings and additions—work that is in excess or too large for the state men to handle.

I am enclosing pictures taken of the new Sears store in Meadowview Subdivision just outside Kankakee. This ultra-modern department store is the last thing in retail merchandising. They handle all kinds of goods from clothing, furniture and appliances to all types of farm machinery. Besides the general merchandising area, there is a huge warehouse, farm store, and automotive service station connected to the store all on the same level and on one floor. This store measures more than 250 feet wide

and 700 feet long. The power and light distribution is well planned giving the maximum amount of lighting to each square foot of sales area. One special feature of the store is year-around air-conditioning for complete shopping comfort.

Potter Electric of Kankakee, its superintendent, Berkely Frazer, and all the journeymen who worked on this job can well be proud of their part in this most modern and beautiful department store, which, incidentally, was finished in record time as far as the electrical contract was concerned.

We have a very good apprentice school going at present with a small but eager group of young fellows attending. They study at the Labor Temple each Monday evening for three hours from seven to 10 p.m. The class is taught by the Apprentice Committee, consisting of Bill Neblock, George Boudreau and Warren Kyle. These men are ably assisted by our president, Fred Keast. They are receiving instruction in both practical and theoretical electricity from a course prescribed by the National Board of Underwriters.

Our local will have its annual banquet and dance the first week in February. If it is as successful as the one last year, I know that everyone who attends will have a very enjoyable evening.

The picnic we had last September was a great success and well attended. A steak fry and covered dishes supplied the refreshments, while baseball, boating, swimming, and of course, a little table poker, supplied the entertainment. The small fry really had a field day playing around beautiful Lake Manteno.

Well, I believe I have covered nearly all the news worth reporting this time. I hope that our many friends throughout the country that have worked here will feel free to write us.

Several years ago when I was "booming" around the country on construction, I made many good friends on these jobs besides getting acquainted with friendly locals that gave a man a lift when he needed it. In my opinion, that one word, "cooperation," is one big reason we have such a large and strong international.

With this warm feeling of brotherly love, I feel content to bid adieu to "Local Lines" for this writing until there is again sufficient news to report from "The Key City" on the banks of ye ole Kankakee River.

W. F. WENGERT, P. S.

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La. Sympathy Strike Closes Jurisdiction

L. U. 995, BATON ROUGE, LA.—Well, here I am again from good old

L. U. 995, but my news from here isn't so good at this time. The Millwrights are on strike here and have all the jobs shut down. We have a lot of work here in our jurisdiction if we ever get back on the jobs. We have a large number of our traveling Brothers working here, and fear if this strike continues very long they will be leaving us. Then it will be another problem to man the jobs.

Work still looks good here. Several large industrial jobs going, and quite a lot of commercial work. But, as I said, we are shut down at present.

I want to take this opportunity to apologize to Brother A. E. (Shorty) Hogan. In one of my previous letters to the JOURNAL I listed all our new officers for 995 except the treasurer. Brother Hogan has been our treasurer for a long, long time, and was elected this term without opposition. I'm sorry about not mentioning this before, but I actually forgot it. I'm sorry, Shorty. (He's my boss.)

At our regular meeting January 7th, we initiated 11 apprentices into 995. Brother Muntz was good enough to bring his camera and get a shot of them. I'm enclosing the picture to be published in the JOURNAL. (Names on back of picture.) Well, here's wishing everyone the best of everything until next time.

BURKIE WALKER, P. S.

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Humanitarian Project of Indianapolis Local 1048

L. U. 1048, INDIANAPOLIS, IND.—The 6,000 members of IBEW Local 1048 in Indianapolis, RCA and Cornell-Dubilier workers, possess a great big heart! This year their annual "Clothe-A-Child" campaign resulted

in the clothing of 575 needy youngsters at Christmas time. Over \$15,000 were raised by this active local during the past 12 months to make possible this humanitarian project.

Chief source of revenue is the "Clothe-A-Child" card issued to each member in denominations of five, ten and twenty-five cents. Three-way cards are also issued, containing a card of each denomination, with contributions totaling \$21.60 when completely filled out. During the past season 99 people at RCA (including a number of salaried personnel) filled out three-way cards. Each week the shop stewards contact the various workers and receive their contribution, punching the card for the amount given. The shop stewards turn the collections over to the chief shop stewards, who in turn make their accounting to the "Clothe-A-Child" secretary, Mrs. Ruth "Dolly" Dowell.

The local works in cooperation with the *Indianapolis Times*, which initiated the Indianapolis "Clothe-A-Child" fund. The *Times* uses trained social workers who investigate the homes of the children to be clothed. From their list of recommended children Local 1048 requisitions the youngsters to be clothed. This year 150 of the 575 children clothed by the local were from among the families of our own members.

L. U. 1048 clothed over one-fifth of the total 2545 children outfitted by the *Times* this year, at an average cost of \$27.00 per child. Each youngster was given one complete outfit "from skin out," bought by one of the union members who took the child "Christmas shopping."

Local 1048 became active in the "Clothe-A-Child" project back in 1939 when a motion was made at a union meeting to clothe three children that

New Members of La. Local



These apprentices were recently initiated into Local 995, Baton Rouge, La. From left they are: E. R. Blount; N. E. Wells; R. W. Longmire; L. D. Smith; C. O. Wells; D. O. Crain; George Banta; W. E. Gibson, Jr.; Calvin Cloutatre; L. J. Kinchen and B. R. Decoteau.

Support Local 1048's Clothe-a-Child Drive



As Local 1048, Indianapolis, Ind., pursued its annual "Clothe-a-Child" campaign at Christmas, these were among the thousands who helped. Left: Harold Jackson, Hazel Mills, Edith Goodman and LeRoy Hamilton, steward, all of the Yandes Record Warehouse; center, from the Quality Section, TV plant—Bill Ledger, Reuben Wilkins and Ray Aug; right, part of the Local 1048 night force at the Clothe-a-Child headquarters, ready to take children to be clothed.



Taking part in candy sales to support the campaign are, from left: Louise Taylor, Irene Lackey, Foreman Paul Mifsud and Steward Dorothy Kiser, all of the night force, TV plant; Marlin Whalen, Manager Glander of the Record Department, Hazel Mills, Manager Demaris of the Warehouse Section and Coleman Porter, all of Yandes Street Record Warehouse; Wanda James, Clara Hurston, Bette Chaney and Mary Agnes Fields, contribute the cost of their cards and postage for greeting their fellow workers at Christmas to the Clothe-a-Child "Kitty."

Christmas, and \$50.00 was appropriated for the endeavor. Up to 1947 the annual campaign was limited to a drive during the first two weeks of December. Following the 1947 campaign William "Bud" Phillips took up the reins to make the "Clothe-A-Child" a great heart-felt project with Local 1048. He was elected president of the "Clothe-A-Child" Club, and immediately initiated the use of punch cards to facilitate year-round collections. Since the present type of campaign was started in 1947 almost 5,000 children have been clothed by Local 1048, accounting for an expenditure of over \$128,000.00—all raised by the members of the local.

In addition to funds raised through the Clothe-A-Child cards, money is also raised through the sale of Christmas candy (profit from which goes into the fund), and through special drives put on by various departments at the holiday season. For instance, this year the Tube Plant had a "Christmas Greeting" project—money which would have been spent for individual greeting cards and postage was put in the "kitty" and the greeting was extended personally to fellow workers. In this manner they raised \$221.00.

Every penny contributed to the "Clothe-A-Child" Fund is spent on clothing children. The various expenses arising out of promoting the campaign are paid for out of union funds. This is one charitable undertaking where for every dollar received a dollar is spent!



William "Bud" Phillips, the local's present business manager, who nurtured and developed the Clothe-a-Child Fund.

Local 1048 is proud of its "Clothe-A-Child" Campaign. The untiring work of Chairman "Bud" Phillips (who is now business manager of the local), and the faithful and unending work of Ruth "Dolly" Dowell, who has been secretary of the Clothe-A-Child Fund for some eight years, together with the ceaseless efforts of the stewards within the plants, has made this a humanitarian project which has returned much in blessings to the lives of the local union members. Indeed, it is a project that exemplifies a big heart!

JOE NICHOLS, P. S.

Eligible for Industrial Safety Organization

L. U. 1073, AMBRIDGE, PA.—John Parris, Tool and Die Department, and

Samuel Glenn, Maintenance Department, received membership certificates and gold Wise pins. They became members of The Wise Owl Club, largest industrial eye safety organization in the country. It is composed entirely of workmen and women in every state, who, like John Parris and Samuel Glenn, saved one or both eyes by wearing protective equipment.

The number one safety rule is to wear safety goggles, which some of us could not get used to. But we do know that foresight is better than hindsight to keep eyesight, and eyes are rationed two to a lifetime.

Herbert Hartle, machine shop, is not only popular in our union, he also was elected chairman of Leet Township Commissioners, and also chairman of the Social Benefit Fund. The vice chairman of this fund is Jan Colades and the secretary is George Gallagher.

Bob Psinka, Nepeoduct Department, son of Bill Psinka, will repair that car of yours in his spare time.

We are wishing happy days ahead to Boro Smrzlich, Rigid Conduit Department. He retired on pension after 28 years. In fact his picture was in our local newspaper.

Joseph Habrle, Leetsdale Warehouse, says regardless of who goes on pension they never forget their department employees. The last man was Andy Binder, their boss, who was presented with a recording machine.

Cliff Meder is still on the ball reporting stretchings from the Rubber

Mill. But he doesn't make the stretch far enough. We wonder what happened to his wife Evelyne who used to report for the Shipping Department for the *Nationalist*.

Alex Langa, Nephocoduct Department, was elected trustee of the Polish National Association. Terry Riccardi, Rubber Mill, is delegate to Christ the King Church and Charles Koodrich, Machine Shop, is recording secretary of the Ukrainian Society.

The death of Frank D'Alessandris was a shock to the Rubber Mill employees. Brother D'Alessandris had been with the company over 30 years. A few years ago he bought a house in Florida where he used to spend his vacations. He could hardly wait to go on pension. Then suddenly he died at the age of 61. We extend our deepest sympathy to the family.

Metro Rusnak, Rubber Mill pension employe, passed away the same day as Brother D'Alessandris. His son, Joe, is employed in the Stranding Department. We offer our deepest sympathy to his family.

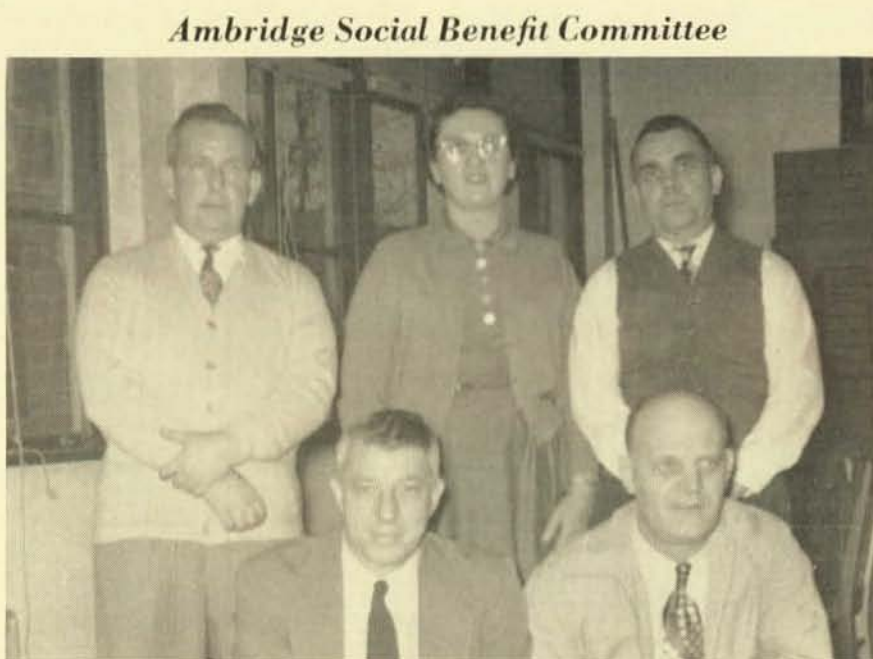
Pete Skacan, Rubber Mill, was stricken with a stroke two days after Brother D'Alessandris passed away. Incidentally, they both worked on the same job. We wish you a speedy recovery, Pete!

JOHN GOZUR, P.S.

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Negotiations Produce Better Chester Pact

L. U. 1184, CHESTER, PA.—As a local composed entirely of generating station employees of the only organized unit in a large system, we do not have many newsworthy activities. However the negotiations recently completed by our very able committee



Social Benefit Fund Committee of Local 1073, Ambridge, Pa. Kneeling: Chairman Herbert Hartle and Vice Chairman Jan Colades. Standing: Secretary George Gallagher, Helen Benecki and Mike Frankewicz.

coached by the always reliable International Representative Charley Scholl deserve mention. We received, retroactive to August 1st, the five percent increase given to the rest of the Philadelphia Electric System last August 1st, which we rejected at the time because of the company's desire to extend our contract 16 months without change. This brings our top hourly rate to \$3.04 per hour. In addition to upgrading two jobs and improvement of various working conditions, the Company agreed to reduce the service requirements to 12 years for three weeks vacation.

At a buffet supper and social for the members and their wives, arranged by a committee headed by Brother George Moore, after the December meeting, 52 Brothers were presented with 10-year membership pins.

A. C. SPARKS, P.S.

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Providence Local to Sponsor Baseball Team

L. U. 1242, PROVIDENCE, R. I.—Employees and friends of General Insulated Wire enjoyed a good time at a Christmas party given by the company and the local union December 21st at the Riviera Cafe.

Dancing followed a full course dinner with plenty of refreshments to keep up the holiday spirit. Our guests of honor included our International Representative Francis X. Moore and Mrs. Moore, Mr. R. Cottrell, Mr. R. Craig and retiring Brother Sydney Hall. Brother Hall was overcome with emotion when President Vito Massarone presented him with a plaque, in appreciation of services rendered to our local union. In the past 10 years he served as president, business manager and shop steward with equal zeal. We wish you long years of enjoyment Sydney, make the most of them.

Brother George Abbate was also a proud recipient of a 15-year service pin.

Work is slow right now but we keep looking on the bright side of life. A union-sponsored baseball team will soon start their spring training. Don't

Local's Mark of Esteem



President Vito Massarone presents a commemorative plaque to Brother Sydney Hall on the occasion of his retirement from Local 1242, Providence, R. I. Brother Hall has served the union in three top posts.

let us down boys, we'll be rooting for you!

SIMMONNE BLANCHARD, P.S.

Marks Birthday of Federal Civil Service

L. U. 1383, BALTIMORE, MD.—This report will take just a few moments, fellows, after the wonderful holidays we have enjoyed (the memory lingers on). And right now it is too soon for any comment on the spring outlook, so I shall report progress and go back to looking for work. From the meeting hall we can also report progress.

By the way, if you have another few moments listen to this. The Federal Civil Service celebrated its Diamond Jubilee on January 16, 1958. It has been 75 years since the Congress of the United States passed the Civil Service Act which brought 13,900 positions under the Merit System. Today the Federal Government employs over 2,000,000 people.

Incidentally, the yard also celebrates a significant anniversary on May 1, 1958. That date will mark 30 years since employees of the yard were blanketed under the Civil Service Act by an Executive Order issued by President Calvin Coolidge. Several of our members are mentioned in the roster of 30-year employees.

REUBEN SEARS, P.S.

Local 1439 Treasurer Takes European Tour

L. U. 1439, ST. LOUIS, MO.—Although it is a little late, L.U. 1439 wants to wish all a happy and prosperous 1958.

This time our little column is being

divided into two parts—one is another nifty human interest story and the other is an in memoriam.

The human interest story is about our L.U. 1439 Treasurer Ken Gerdes. Mr. Gerdes and his lovely wife spent five weeks vacationing and touring the European Continent. Practically all of the trip was done by bus travel—from England to Germany, to Belgium and Austria, Italy and France—naturally, going to and coming from Europe was done by ship.

We can all visualize their most delightful trip through the beautiful Buckingham Palace in England—the quaint and scenic antiquity of Paris (with its sidewalk cafes and the Arc de Triomphe and the Eiffel Tower) and Marseilles and the Riviera in France, not to mention Monte Carlo and its enormous casinos. Then the old, old castles of the Rhine—the old Bismarckian castles high in the German mountains—even, Busch Bavarian in Austria. Then on to the Leaning Tower of Pisa and the world famous landmark the Colosseum and last but not least, the Basilica in Rome.

We all would love to see all this too, and not through words of speech nor through minds' eye, and for the most part we propose possibly to do so—but, the Gerdes enjoyed every precious moment of it—lots of fine photographs and pictures were taken, one of which accompanies this column. Ken elaborated to me on several places they had visited such as, London, Holland, Naples, Rome, Paris, Florence and many, many others, but it would take a book to express his feelings in such a way to emphasize all the gloriousness of their vacation abroad. Lots of luck to them both and incidentally, Mr. Gerdes is now being called our "Globe-Trotting-Treasurer."

The rest of the column is a sort of in memoriam to a fine member and father in our L.U. 1439. Now, I know all of you members realize it is an impossibility to write on every 1439 member who passes from our world into the beyond, (I would—if I could and would appreciate any comment that would make a passing member's family a trifle less sorrowful.)

However, in this case, because I knew Brother Will Daniels so well, I want to pay special tribute to him. Will Daniels worked at the Union Electric Company for many, many years. I, personally knew Mr. Daniels (living next door to his daughter) long before I became associated with the U. E. Company and he was always helping others and not thinking of himself. Every weekend found him at one of the daughters' homes—taking good care of the yards and gardens and acting as an all-around handyman with their carpentry needs etc. He was well liked in his own neighborhood, living by the rule of doing unto others as he would have them do unto him.

DICK SHINNICK, P.S.

Lay Plans for Local Pension Arrangement

L. U. 1514, HANSON, MASS.—I will start off by thanking the company for putting those very nice filters in the paint room. From what was said this past meeting, they are doing the job. Thanks again, Mr. Company.

Just because we have been thanking you lately, doesn't mean everything is "hunky-dory." Everytime you do a good deed we appreciate it. When we think we are being pushed around we're going to holler. So, let's go from there.

At our monthly meeting we had 17 members. Still the same crowd, but it's good enough to hold this local together. Come up and help out sometime. Bill Coit won the \$5.00 door prize . . . We had a new face for a change, at the meeting . . . none other than Leo DeGrasse. Come again, Leo . . .

Everybody was sorry to hear about the passing on of Harry Bearce. He worked many faithful years for the company, and was well liked by everyone. He will certainly be missed . . . Here is another example of a man 65 years old who could have been drawing down a monthly pension if we were on the ball . . .

Well, we are getting on that ball right now. A committee of eight people was appointed by yours truly to get all the dope they can on different kinds of pension plans. They are going to have a joint meeting at Farmer Sayce's home on the second Friday in February. There will be a general discussion of all the different

The Glories That Were Rome



Local 1439 Treasurer Ken Gerdes and Mrs. Gerdes pose among the ruins of Rome's Great Colosseum during their recent European tour, described by the local's correspondent.

Local Marks Yuletide in Canada



Scenes at Local 1595's Christmas party, held December 14th, in Toronto, Ont.

plans the committee has brought to this meeting. We just have to start helping these people who have been working for this company for 25, 30 and yes, over 40 years, and I think we have one who has been with us around 50 years. We mean business now, so if you have any suggestions, let's hear them. Other locals have pension plans, and we can have one too . . . More next month.

Harry Cone has been out sick this past week. Get well soon, Harry, so you can keep up that clogging . . . Work has been very slack at the plant, but I guess it's the same way all over the country. "Have you had enough?" Who said that anyway?? . . . Well, that's it, plain and simple.

"Scoop" SAYCE, P. S.

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Warns Against Traveling To Alaska for Work

L. U. 1547, ANCHORAGE, ALASKA—Local 1547, IBEW, of Anchorage, Alaska, wishes to warn all members against coming to the Territory seeking employment.

Please do not be misled by glowing construction pictures painted by irresponsible newspaper stories, and by transportation groups interested only in your fare here and totally unconcerned with your welfare after your arrival. For your own economic good, be governed by the facts presented by a responsible organization interested in bringing you the truth on the Alaska employment picture.

We have a year around labor force capable of meeting all foreseeable demands. Should we require additional help, be assured that we will call on Stateside locals for it.

However, in view of the foregoing, if you insist on coming regardless, be sure to bring your fishing gear and plenty of funds for an extended vacation.

J. S. ARMSTRONG, B. M.

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Lay Plans for Toronto Contract Discussions

L. U. 1595, TORONTO, ONT.—Busy months ahead for our local! Our con-

tract comes up in March and the Research Committee has been cutting, enlarging and mulling over the suggestions submitted by our members. Good luck to the committee in their hard task.

The Christmas party was a big success, thanks to Howard Taylor and his helpers. There was plenty to eat and to drink for the kiddies and Father Christmas gave them some wonderful presents. It was gratifying to see such a good turnout of fellow-workers and their families.

Dick Argue of the plant department is in "St. Mike's" hospital with a heart attack. He is one of the ever-present members at our meetings. We hope you will soon get well, Dick.

Shop stewards please note! If you have any items of interest please let me know.

Well, until next month's issue, keep cheery, everybody.

HAMISH MCKAY, P. S.

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Local Golfers Take Top League Honors

L. U. 1621, MANCHESTER, N. H.—Members of Local 1621 employed at the Anchor Manufacturing Company in Manchester, New Hampshire are shown in the accompanying picture receiving golf carts from the com-

pany and special sweaters from the local, for winning the top honors in the City's Industrial Golf League.

Shown in the picture from left to right are: Mr. A. A. Young, works manager of the company, O. M. Marion, George Wildman Captain, Frank Orzechowski, John McCabe, Kenneth Reed, business manager of Local 1621.

KENNETH REED, B. M.

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Cites History of Mining Project

L. U. 1687, SUDBURY, ONT.—This is the first time we have sent a news item to the ELECTRICAL WORKERS JOURNAL.

Enclosed you will find two pictures of Consolidated Dennison Mine at Elliot Lake, and as there has been such wide publicity in regards to this area, it is possible it will be of interest to our members.

Here is some general information regarding this mine. This is located in what is commonly known as the Blind River Area. It is one of twelve mines, which are all very much the same. You can see it has been an enormous construction program, spread over three years time.

We have had an average working force of approximately 600 electricians, employed at the 12 mines. Fortunately at the early outset, we were able to negotiate a contract with the four major contractors which specified all employees must be members of the IBEW, and as we had good cooperation from the employers, we were able to keep a fairly good grasp of the situation.

At present 90 percent of the work is done, and we find we have a surplus of men in this area. We are doing all we can to transfer them to busier areas, although at this time of the year it is difficult.

This will give our members some idea of what goes on in Blind River, the uranium capital of the world. Hope you will forgive the plug.

GEO. E. ADAIR, B. M.

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Prizes for Golfing Season



Presentation of awards was made at the close of the golfing season by Local 1621, Manchester, N.H., for top honors in the City's Industrial Golf League. Identification is in that local's letter.

50 Percent Layoff Is Blow To Cambridge Local

L. U. 1854, CAMBRIDGE, OHIO—Since our last writing we have really had the "props" knocked from under. At least 50 percent of our members have been laid off indefinitely and the senior members left have been down-graded and shuffled from "pillar to post" to cause quite a bit of unrest and jitters, not knowing what to expect next.

The quarterly dinner meeting for officers and shop stewards was held January 16 at Andrews Motel Restaurant. The main topic of discussion during the evening was how to battle the "Right-To-Work" law. The amendment has been filed in the State of Ohio and petitions are now being drawn for circulation to place it for vote in November 1958.

"Buck" Williamson, our International Representative, was a guest and said he plans to set up a special

committee, show films, give literature, etc., to all his locals to help in the battle for the defeat of this "Right-To-Wreck" Amendment.

We have offered the use of our mimeograph machine to the Central Labor Body for circulating copies of informative material. We also plan to send copies to all our members, active and inactive, pleading with everyone to do some serious reading, thinking and voting—voting for only the things and the men who represent the interests of American Labor. This law is so unfair. It allows "free-riders" who want all the benefits and don't want to PAY for them or WORK for progress of the group.

At any rate we are going to make an all-out effort to do our part to defeat the law. We're also open to any suggestions or ideas on "what to do" from any of you who have had some experience with this thing.

The Ohio Conference is scheduled

for February 22-23 in Youngstown. A delegation from our 1854 is planning for the trip. The "Right-To-Work" should be a hot issue and we plan to participate in the second newly organized meeting for manufacturing locals.

Let's hope spring brings brighter days.

NEVA K. JONES, P. S.

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Local 1914 Inks Pact With Westinghouse Firm

L. U. 1914, HARWICK, PA.—Enclosed is a picture taken at the recent signing of a supplement to the existing agreement between Local Union 1914 and Westinghouse Electric Corp. at Cheswick, Pennsylvania.

This supplement covers the production and maintenance employees of the Atomic Fuel Department at the Cheswick location. They do classified work for the Atomic Energy Commission.

Participating in the signing of this supplement are, from left to right, Earl Blakely, Donald Daugherty, local union negotiating committee members, J. D. Haxall, Manager, Industrial Relations, Paul L. Rankin, President L. U. 1914, Ira Fox, Manager A. F. D., W. C. Miller, Manager, Atomic Equipment Department, O. Babish, International Representative, George Carson, superintendent A. F. D., J. Ackerman, assistant manager A. E. D., Roland Strand, L. U. Negotiating Committee member.

I would like to take this opportunity to compliment you and your staff for a job well done in publishing the ELECTRICAL WORKERS JOURNAL.

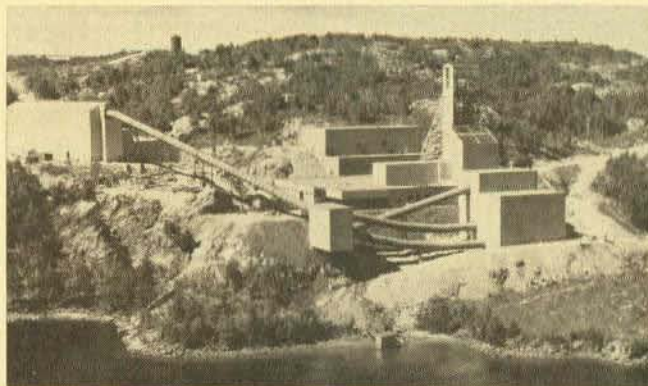
PAUL L. RANKIN, Pres.

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Halifax, N.S., Members Attend Hard Times Dance

L. U. 1928, HALIFAX, N. S.—The Hard Times dance sponsored by the Kilowatt Club to which some of our members belong, was held November

Ontario Mine Program Nears Completion



The Consolidated Dennison Mine at Elliott Lake employs members of Local 1687, Sudbury, Ont. At left is the mill with a 5,000-ton capacity per day. The average work force is 350 men on three shifts. At right is a view of Dennison's No. 2 shaft.

Sign New Westinghouse Pact



Representatives of Local 1914, Harwick, Pa., joined with those from the Westinghouse Electric Corp. of Cheswick to sign a supplement to their working agreement. Their names can be found in the local's letter.

8 in the Jubilee Boat House. At this party a new 308 Savage hunting rifle was raffled and won by Brother Jimmy Gibson, pipe fitter. We might say in passing, that Brother Gibson had more luck in winning the 308 Savage than he has with Brother Percy Paddock, mechanic, at the checker board. May your luck continue, Jimmy!

Another event which took place at the above entertainment was the presentation of the soft ball crests, jackets and trophies to the winners of the Maritime Industrial Soft Ball Championship in which some of our local members participated. Music for the capering was supplied by Art Doucette and his orchestra.

In our Nova Scotia area we have had a serious strike on our hands for the past two months, the Windsor Quarry Workers versus the Canadian Gypsum Company, a subsidiary of the United States Gypsum Company, noted for its anti-union attitude. This is not a strike primarily for wages although the rates of Canadian Gypsum are below standard mining rates for the province, but for the

right to union security, shorter work week, welfare, pension and seniority protection, adequate safety representation, proper shift starting times, proper grievance procedure and generally for a more humane attitude on part of the company in question.

We Nova Scotia workers are beginning to realize that all we will have left of this immensely profitable enterprise after they have paid the six cents a ton royalty is a hole in the ground. A very valuable resource which is irreplaceable is being exploited by the Canadian Gypsum Company due to the spineless attitude of our present and past governments.

Our local donated \$600.00 to the striking workers and other locals are likewise responding financially.

January 1, beginning at 8.30 the Halifax District Trades and Labor Council arranged an Ice Carnival for the benefit of the Windsor Quarry Workers. There was figure skating by two sprightly misses of Halifax, singing and guitar playing by the television troubadour, Blondell, who specializes in the Newfoundland ballads, a clown act on skates by Hap

Hanson with his puck on an invisible string and a game of broom ball where the boys apparently made up the rules as the play progressed. Such notables as Dick Howard, Canadian light weight boxing champion, "Moose" Mulligan, coach of the Shearwater Flyers, Canadian Intermediate football champs, Arnie Patterson, public relations officer for the Atlantic Provinces Economic Council, and others of like ilk were engaged in the rough and tumble of chasing a soccer ball over the ice with a broom stick.

There was also a hockey game between the Windsor Quarry Workers and a team from the Halifax locals. Last but not least was a tug of war on ice for as was announced "The World Championship."

So you can see that we are taking this strike very seriously. It is to us not just a fight between labor and management but a fundamental issue between this exploiting company, which frankly admits that it exists only for profits, and the people of Nova Scotia.

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cent. Some of the improvements procured in already existing vacation plans were:

| Local Union | Location | Vacation Benefits Gain | Present Vacation Value |
|-------------|-----------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| 256 | Fitchburg, Mass. | 2% | 4% |
| 208 | Norwalk, Conn. | 3% | 6% |
| 237 | Niagara Falls, N. Y. | 2¢ | 10¢ |
| 31 | Duluth, Minn. | 1% | 4% |
| 46 | Seattle, Wash. | (est.) 1.6¢ | 4% |
| 6 | San Francisco, Calif. | 2.5¢ | 10¢ |
| 1186 | Honolulu, Hawaii | 5¢ | 10¢ |

In the Outside branch of our jurisdiction IBEW locals

also made important fringe benefit gains. Eliminating duplications arising through contracts which apply to both Inside and Outside electrical construction work, we see that our tally shows health-and-welfare programs to have been negotiated in 15 locals in the Outside field. Paid-vacation advances were received by 12 locals (including a joint vacation-and-paid-holiday plan for Local Union 17 of Detroit), and a local union pension plan was established in Local Union 269 of Trenton, New Jersey.

Health-and-welfare plans for line construction workers were adopted for the first time in their areas in 14 IBEW locals. Nine of them call for employer payments of 10 cents per hour worked for financing. Of the 12 vacation plans noted for Outside employes, eight require employer payments equal to 4 percent of earnings—or sufficient to permit vacations of two weeks for all who qualify.

All in all it has been a period of great progress for IBEW members in the Electrical Construction Industry.

REPRESENTATIVE BURROWS VISITS THE *ISLANDS*



Outside offices of Local 1437, Rep. Burrows poses with James Kahoonahano, B.M. on Maui.



Rep. Burrows, Mrs. Burrows and family of B.M. Ben Matsurbara, L.U. 1414, in the family garden.



Above: Mrs. Burrows as she left, shown with Fuji-kawa, Kennedy and Hasegawa of Locals 1186, 1260, 1186.

Right: Orrin and Mrs. Burrows as Matsurbara and Pres. Kuiva Tui-asosopo of L.U. 1414 bid them aloha at Hilo Airport.



Bob Hasegawa, Asst. B.M. L.U. 1186; Jack Carvalho, president of L.U. 1186, Orrin and Mrs. Burrows dining.



At Japanese tea garden in Honolulu are A. Fujikawa, B.M., L.U. 1186, Burrows, Walters Eli, Int. Rep., Bob Hasegawa, of L.U. 1186.

Director of Government Operations for the IBEW, International Representative Orrin Burrows recently made a trip to Hawaii where he visited all our local unions there. The photos on this page show some of the officers of our IBEW locals in the islands who met Brother Burrows and his wife and set up necessary group meetings for him.

It was a busy 10-day trip for Representative Burrows during which he addressed meetings of Civil Service workers, officers and

stewards of our locals, general membership meetings and meetings with delegates of the Metal Trades Council. Brother Burrows has wide knowledge of Civil Service matters and problems of Government employes and according to our Hawaiian members, his visit was a very successful one.

While Brother Burrows was attending to business, wives of our Hawaiian Brothers graciously entertained Mrs. Burrows and showed her the glories and hospitality of the "Paradise of the Pacific."

Archives

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years ago he made a permanent exhibit of them and the result is the neat-looking exhibit reproduced for you here.

The display board as shown in the picture measures four by five feet. It contains 145 items. Brother Stocker says that they came from the territorial and first State Governor's mansion, old cattlemen's homes and early Cheyenne business houses. The items range from a wooden raceway, the forerunner of today's wire mold, to a slate-back knife switch. Some of the items can be identified as Bryant and General Electric products, patented in 1888. Most of our apprentices and many of our journeymen have never seen items like these as they are the antiques of the electrical field.

Viewed by Thousands

The display board was sent to our International Office in 1952 and hundreds of people, perhaps thousands, have viewed it there. It has also been viewed by delegates to IBEW and NECA Conventions. On its last trip out of the International Office, it was carefully packed and transported to a sound film stage where it became background—"atmosphere" in the prop office of an electrical contractor of the gay nineties period. This was in connection with our IBEW historical film, "Operation Brotherhood."

We thought our members would like to know that display items such as this are a valuable part of our union history and archives. We are most grateful to Brother Stocker and to others like him who have collected and are collecting now, items of significance to the IBEW and the electrical industry.

From time to time as in the past, we hope to bring you notes of interest on items in our Archives Collection and also solicit the help of our members in collecting and preserving precious historical materials which once lost can never be replaced. With this in mind, we would like to ask our locals if

they have any Electrical Workers' Journals prior to 1901, especially the 1898, 1899 and 1900 issues, if they will not send them to us for our collection. We are also missing issues for 1911, and are most anxious to secure them.

In addition we would be most grateful for any Convention Proceedings prior to 1921, and any International Constitutions prior to 1930.

Please send items to IBEW Archives Collection, 1200-15th Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

Many thanks for any help you can give us in this matter and for any historical material you may have preserved and will send to us. We shall be happy to send a certificate of appreciation for any such material we receive.

KPEG

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music all time favorites and occasionally the ballad type 'pop.' The policy is paying off in listener dividends; more and more people, as they hear about Peg, are staying tuned to the 1380 spot on the dial.

Our readers may like to have a little data concerning the "Pegs."

Peg Long left the University of Washington to study dramatics and singing and, with Ron and Judy Sealera, won first prize as a singing trio on Paul Whiteman's Show in Philadelphia. She has been with KPEG for eight months as a deejay.

Peg Warner, who has had her own show, western and request, on an Idaho Radio Station, is a graduate of Brown Institute of Broadcasting in Minneapolis, and has been a PEG deejay for four months.

Peg Snyder and *Peg Frank* are the original "Pegs." They did their first stints as announcers the day the station went on the air in February, 1957.

Peg Frank, originally a copy writer careerist, found out she liked to read copy as well as write it, and *Peg Snyder*, formerly a Western Union Branch Manager, discovered she could use her pleasing "phone voice" to equal advan-

tage over a 'mike.' Peg Warner, Peg Frank, Peg Snyder, three blondes, and Peg Long, a brunette, these are the lovely lassies who bring sweet music, news and weather reports on PEG RADIO, a 5,000 watt daytime station at Second and Maple, downtown Spokane. I.B.E.W. members are invited to dial 1380 and "... meet the Pegs!" (Well, okay, what will women do next?)

(We acknowledge with thanks the receipt of this story and pictures from Brother H. M. Conry of L. U. 77.)

The Lights Shine

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it was added by members of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers.

A whole new system of lighting which glorifies the Washington Monument from base to tip has been added, making the familiar capital scene even more beautiful at night than it is by day. This bright, white finger of marble pointing up into the heavens can now be seen for miles around.

Photos on these pages show some phases of the electrical installation. The job was performed by the E. R. Seal Company of Washington, D. C., a union electrical contractor, and all men on the job were members of D. C. Local Union No. 26. Those who worked on the monument lighting project were Edwin J. Urbanec, superintendent, Willard Lent, John Harrison, L. J. Rock and W. P. Bartley.

The assignment was contracted to the Seal Company by the National Capital Parks branch of the National Park Service of the Department of the Interior. It was begun in July 1957 and the flood lights were turned on for the first time on February 22, on the 226th anniversary of the birth of the Father of our Country.

All Crouse-Hinds flood lights and all waterproof equipment was used on the job. Our IBEW men ran two 3½-inch conduits and several smaller ones up to the 500-foot level in the monument.

The bottom portion of the monument is lighted by four base light-

ing units each containing 9 flood lights located 20 feet from the monument.

From the 100 foot to the 500 foot monument level, four major flood lighting vaults, one on each side and each containing 19 large flood lights, do the job of illuminating this portion. Doors on these vaults are hydraulically operated. A guard opens the doors automatically and then pushes a button for the flood lighting.

From the 500 foot level to the top, four flood-lighting pedestals located 550 feet from the monument make it possible for the entire shaft to be bathed in light from bottom to top.

Unusual Job

Our L. U. 26 members also installed aircraft warning signals in the very top of the monument through openings cut through the stone at the 525 foot level.

From this brief description I believe our wiremen will agree that this was quite a different and unusual job and one that will certainly be appreciated by native Washingtonians and tourists alike for many years to come.

Incidentally, the E. R. Seal Company is ready to go on other jobs of this type. Mr. Seal said, "Tell your readers we specialize in lighting Washington monuments."

Iwo Jima

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of the statue are names and dates of every engagement in the history of the Marine Corps, from the days of 1775 to our own time. And inscribed in gold on the black granite base is the tribute of Fleet Admiral Chester W. Nimitz who said that among Marines at Iwo: "Uncommon valor was a common virtue."

Probably no one in the United States had even heard of Iwo Jima when some 20 years ago (actually in 1937, four years before the treacherous attack on Pearl Harbor) Japanese war lords, as part of their jig-saw plan of conquest, began its fortification. To this tiny island (with a Japanese population of 1,100) of volcanic origin in the Pacific approximately 660

miles south of Tokyo, they sent 23,000 troops and garrisoned them here. And by 1944 the island was an impregnable fortress, at least it seemed so, with its three air strips and chains of almost bomb-proof pill boxes. Artillery, rocket or rifle fire could reach every yard of the island.

Beginning in August of 1944, for six months at intervals, United States Forces bombarded Iwo Jima. Then after a final bombardment by the Air Force and Navy, on February 19, 1945, 60,000 Marines (of the Fifth Marine Amphibious Corps) made their invasion landing.

When Mount Suribachi (a steep-sided extinct volcano cone 556 feet above sea level), the highest point on the island and located at the southwestern tip, fell to the Marines they raised a small American flag on its summit, and then a much larger one, to tell Marines on the Northern part of the island that Americans held the Mount.

An Associated Press photographer, Joseph Rosenthal, snapped a picture of five Marines and a Navy pharmacist's mate raising the large flag on Suribachi. When wired home, this photograph made headlines in papers everywhere. It is said by some, that this picture stirred the patriotic fire in every American as perhaps no picture had done since the Spirit of '76.

Bitter Fighting

When the sculptor, Felix de Weldon saw it, he was moved to create a statue which in his words "would stand forever as a memorial to all the men of all the services who have given their lives to make and keep our country free."

Meanwhile bitter fighting on Iwo continued. When the island was finally conquered, March 16, 1945, the Japanese were wiped out. United States Forces counted 20,000 casualties, 4,590 killed. Among the dead were three participants in the now world famous Mount Suribachi flag raising: Sergeant Michael Strank of Pennsylvania; Corp. Harlan H. Block of Texas and Pfc. Franklin R. Sousley of Kentucky.

A fourth participant, a Pima Indian from Arizona, Pfc. Ira

Hayes died in 1955 and lies buried only a short distance from the memorial. Two other participants were: Corp. Rene A. Gagnon of New Hampshire and Pharmacist's Mate John H. Bradley of Wisconsin.

Today as spotlights are turned on this statue of six Americans from wide-spread sections of the nation, of various lineage and various credos, united in common effort, who themselves represent thousands who have fought and who have died for their country and for freedom in the world, we recall the words of Marine Commandant, General Lemuel Shepherd at the monument's dedication: "May it stand for ages yet to come as a symbol of American courage and determination, of indestructible faith, and of unity of purpose."

We cannot do more than to add a sincere *amen*.

With the Ladies

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has come down with the measles and her little Sally has cut her finger to the bone with the butcher knife.

Her pick-up supper is burning on the stove when her Mother calls to say she is arriving for a visit at six o'clock and will someone please meet her and friend (ugh) husband calls to say he's bringing the boss and his wife home to supper.

When Susan Thompson, fresh and smiling greets her husband and their guests at the front door and ushers them into a clean living room, serves ice cold cocktails to them and her mother, followed by a delicious roast beef dinner from an attractively appointed table—when she explains that the children both resident and foreign have had their supper and are peaceably in bed—when she is mistress of all she surveys and looks it—friends that is real directing. That is an Oscar-making performance!

Such performances — perhaps not quite so elaborate—but real performances—are given by home makers every day—God love them!

Oscars may come and Oscars may go—to Hollywood actresses every year but here's a cheer to the gals who stay at home and give Oscar-worthy performances every day.

So—go to it gals! You may never get a shining statuette but keep on trying. Keep giving your best and in the eyes of your husband and your children you'll be more wonderful than the most glamorous movie star in the world.

IN MEMORIAM

Prayer for Our Deceased Members

Once more we approach the wonderful season of spring—the time when it is good to be alive. However, there are many of our Brothers who did not live to see this spring and it is of them that we speak to Thee O Lord. Have mercy on them Father, all those whose names are listed here. Lead them into their heavenly home where they shall know eternal spring and eternal joy forevermore.

Comfort their loved ones, Father, those for whom the coming of spring and all seasons is sad because they are lonely and miss their dear ones who have passed on. Bring them love and peace, dear God, and give them hope of reunion and happiness in the hereafter.

Lastly, Father, we ask Thee to help us, we who pray this earnest prayer today. Give us Thy help and Thy strength so that we may ever do Thy holy will and follow in Thy footsteps until we come to Thee.

Amen.

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| W. C. Ahrens, L. U. No. 9 Born February 11, 1884 Initiated January 7, 1919 Died January 28, 1958 | Alpha R. Hartzell, L. U. No. 32 Born November 7, 1894 Initiated February 6, 1919 Died January 12, 1958 | Frederick Elgier, L. U. No. 130 Born September 8, 1899 Initiated April 5, 1920 Died December 26, 1957 |
| John H. Burns, L. U. No. 9 Born January 13, 1882 Initiated January 19, 1914 Died December 18, 1957 | J. Ed Cornwall, L. U. No. 40 Born August 13, 1901 Initiated November 29, 1926 Died November 9, 1957 | Oliver J. Gonzales, L. U. No. 130 Born June 10, 1898 Initiated April 18, 1945 Died January 7, 1958 |
| Robert P. Cornell, L. U. No. 9 Born September 9, 1892 Initiated September 9, 1919 Died February 1, 1958 | Ronald L. Coulter, L. U. No. 40 Born May 23, 1897 Initiated October 1, 1947 Died January 16, 1958 | Arthur Quay Smith, L. U. No. 130 Born August 26, 1904 Initiated July 2, 1938 Died December 11, 1957 |
| W. C. Crowley, L. U. No. 9 Born November 4, 1890 Initiated April 9, 1910 Died December 17, 1957 | Ray Focht, L. U. No. 40 Born September 25, 1882 Initiated June 1, 1902 in L.U. No. 235 Died December 17, 1957 | Hubert F. Kask, L. U. No. 160 Born June 28, 1893 Initiated May 12, 1937 Died February 3, 1958 |
| Robert M. Gerwig, L. U. No. 9 Born December 3, 1923 Initiated April 9, 1952 Died January 1, 1958 | Sam Foster, L. U. No. 40 Born 1876 Initiated March 30, 1938 Died December 9, 1957 | Charles L. Pogansky, L. U. No. 160 Born May 9, 1895 Initiated May 8, 1937 Died December 14, 1957 |
| Charles McAllister, L. U. No. 9 Born March 17, 1870 Initiated September 9, 1916 Died December 30, 1957 | Sigurd Knudsen, L. U. No. 40 Born February 23, 1879 Initiated December 11, 1924 in L.U. No. 134 Died August 5, 1957 | W. R. Chaney, L. U. No. 309 Born March 28, 1905 Initiated November 5, 1941 Died January 5, 1958 |
| John J. O'Connell, L. U. No. 9 Born March 13, 1887 Initiated July 6, 1909 Died January 4, 1958 | Herbert Meeks, L. U. No. 40 Born September 15, 1897 Initiated April 17, 1941 Died October 11, 1957 | Ted Czarnecki, L. U. No. 309 Born April 29, 1893 Initiated February 9, 1920 Died January 5, 1958 |
| George Pearsall, L. U. No. 9 Born December 1, 1906 Initiated November 14, 1944 Died January 27, 1958 | A. J. Blank, L. U. No. 46 Born July 24, 1891 Initiated October 31, 1916 Died December 23, 1957 | Robert J. Murphy, L. U. No. 339 Born March 17, 1905 Initiated July 16, 1943 Died February 3, 1958 |
| Otto Wenzel, L. U. No. 9 Born June 14, 1886 Initiated April 14, 1918 Died January 17, 1958 | William Maki, L. U. No. 46 Born November 6, 1900 Initiated May 12, 1944 Died December 27, 1957 | George C. Powell, L. U. No. 340 Born April 25, 1903 Initiated February 5, 1953 Died January 8, 1958 |
| Steve Harrington, L. U. No. 11 Born December 26, 1897 Initiated February 7, 1917 Died January 14, 1958 | William H. Mersey, L. U. No. 46 Born October 29, 1925 Initiated June 12, 1946 Died November 22, 1957 | Fred Mueller, L. U. No. 369 Born January 22, 1890 Initiated May 22, 1923 Died December 25, 1957 |
| John N. Bowker, L. U. No. 18 Born August 6, 1889 Initiated May 1, 1941 Died December 24, 1957 | George Schmader, L. U. No. 46 Born March 1, 1886 Initiated July 8, 1942 Died November 20, 1957 | Frank Nolda, L. U. No. 494 Born September 24, 1895 Initiated December 30, 1937 Died January 19, 1958 |
| Cecil P. Cole, L. U. No. 18 Born April 13, 1900 Initiated June 1, 1957 Died January 9, 1958 | John Skene, L. U. No. 46 Born March 9, 1873 Initiated March 20, 1900 Died January 7, 1958 | James R. Cooper, L. U. No. 575 Born September 19, 1918 Initiated February 5, 1954 Died December 18, 1957 |
| C. F. Culbertson, L. U. No. 18 Born November 23, 1877 Initiated November 9, 1904 Died January 20, 1958 | Theodore Sebastian, L. U. No. 51 Born November 5, 1896 Initiated April 2, 1942 Died December 31, 1957 | Jake C. Krider, L. U. No. 584 Born January 27, 1901 Initiated April 26, 1955 Died January 21, 1958 |
| Sam Silverman, L. U. No. 18 Born October 20, 1909 Initiated May 15, 1945 Died January 20, 1958 | Earl Ward, L. U. No. 51 Born January 20, 1893 Initiated January 30, 1937 Died January 19, 1958 | William J. Riopella, L. U. No. 588 Born July 22, 1900 Reinitiated February 7, 1956 Died January 10, 1958 |
| William Penland, L. U. No. 28 Born September 16, 1910 Initiated February 7, 1947 Died January 23, 1958 | Ralph A. Werry, L. U. No. 59 Born July 4, 1906 Initiated August 7, 1942 Died January 30, 1958 | Corporal J. Chilson, L. U. No. 595 Born July 22, 1890 Initiated October 23, 1941 Died January 24, 1958 |
| Wilfred F. Dobis, L. U. No. 31 Born July 9, 1923 Initiated August 31, 1953 Died January 14, 1958 | Claude A. Janick, L. U. No. 86 Born August 22, 1897 Initiated December 17, 1926 Died December 16, 1957 | Lin Q. Don, L. U. No. 595 Born August 10, 1906 Initiated August 10, 1943 Died January 30, 1958 |
| Louis T. Savor, L. U. No. 31 Born December 9, 1905 Initiated March 1, 1939 Died January 12, 1958 | | Jerry Donahue, Sr., L. U. No. 595 Born November 1, 1889 Initiated February 6, 1919 Died January 6, 1958 |

D. D. McWhirter, L. U. No. 613

Born March 6, 1908
Reinitiated November 7, 1950
Died December 23, 1957

C. D. Pordham, L. U. No. 613

Initiated May 17, 1943
Died February 3, 1958

Paul Ferrea, L. U. No. 617

Born February 10, 1888
Initiated April 23, 1907
Died January 30, 1958

Sylvester Pittsley, L. U. No. 713

Initiated July 23, 1953
Died January 1958

W. E. Williams, L. U. No. 734

Born February 4, 1892
Initiated April 1948
Died October 16, 1957

John Fraser, L. U. No. 1040

Born August 3, 1913
Initiated July 16, 1941
Died December 23, 1957

John E. Jones, L. U. No. 1128

Born August 26, 1898
Initiated June 26, 1942
in L.U. No. 156
Died December 10, 1957

Charles M. Falltrick, L. U. No. 1245

Born October 15, 1902
Initiated March 1, 1947
Died November 2, 1957

Albert W. Haselton, L. U. No. 1369

Born February 28, 1899
Initiated June 29, 1953
Died January 21, 1958

Charles H. Weir, Jr., L. U. No. 1446

Born July 5, 1927
Initiated August 8, 1957
Died January 10, 1958

Carlton Bowman, L. U. No. 1461

Born September 29, 1908
Initiated February 15, 1949
Died November 15, 1957

John Klein, L. U. No. 1470

Born September 11, 1937
Initiated October 1, 1955
Died January 21, 1958

Frank Misischia, L. U. No. 1470

Born May 7, 1915
Initiated December 1, 1948
Died November 27, 1957

Joseph J. Sorce, L. U. No. 1470

Born August 9, 1911
Initiated December 1, 1948
Died December 10, 1957

John J. Cahill, L. U. No. 1505

Initiated June 28, 1950
Died January 29, 1958

Lillian C. Lanigan, L. U. No. 1505

Initiated May 31, 1950
Died January 31, 1958

Annie LeFort, L. U. No. 1505

Initiated April 23, 1952
Died January 31, 1958

Harry Sahatjian, L. U. No. 1505

Initiated January 23, 1952
Died January 7, 1958

Henry A. Hoffman, Sr., L. U. No. 1543

Born December 31, 1902
Initiated September 5, 1946
Died January 24, 1958

Carl G. Tustin, L. U. No. 1956

Born October 26, 1911
Initiated April 13, 1955
in L.U. No. 149
Died January 22, 1958

Death Claims for January, 1958

| L. U. | NAME | AMOUNT | L. U. | NAME | AMOUNT | L. U. | NAME | AMOUNT |
|--------------|-------------------|----------|-------|-------------------|----------|-------|--------------------|--------------|
| I. O. (12) | Bertel, H. J. | 1,000.00 | 3 | Cafferty, P. | 1,000.00 | 348 | Moraseh, P. | 1,000.00 |
| I. O. (21) | Bergovoy, E. N. | 1,000.00 | 3 | Molt, C. A. | 1,000.00 | 354 | Meeks, L. C. | 1,000.00 |
| I. O. (21) | Mitchell, A. | 1,000.00 | 3 | Clancy, E. J. | 1,000.00 | 357 | Macklin, F. L. | 1,000.00 |
| I. O. (21) | Lockwood, E. C. | 1,000.00 | 3 | Anderson, J. M. | 1,000.00 | 361 | Muth, O. H. | 1,000.00 |
| I. O. (21) | Schulz, R. | 1,000.00 | 3 | Munk, H. | 1,000.00 | 365 | Johnson, B. L. | 1,000.00 |
| I. O. (21) | Sorilina, J. | 1,000.00 | 3 | Mazza, V. | 1,000.00 | 369 | Pfeffer, G. H. | 1,000.00 |
| I. O. (21) | Scherrer, F. E. | 1,000.00 | 5 | Miller, W. C. | 222.22 | 369 | O'Hara, Jr., L. J. | 825.00 |
| I. O. (21) | Zimmer, J. | 1,000.00 | 5 | Moran, T. W. | 1,000.00 | 413 | Churchill, J. F. | 1,000.00 |
| I. O. (21) | Douglas, J. S. | 1,000.00 | 5 | Devlin, J. C. | 1,000.00 | 441 | Baillie, W. L. | 1,000.00 |
| I. O. (21) | Klein, G. | 1,000.00 | 8 | Schubert, E. P. | 1,000.00 | 441 | Shepard, D. L. | 650.00 |
| I. O. (21) | McAllister, C. M. | 1,000.00 | 9 | Schumaker, H. A. | 1,000.00 | 442 | Cardinal, W. | 1,000.00 |
| I. O. (111) | Tandberg, R. L. | 1,000.00 | 9 | Burns, J. H. | 1,000.00 | 479 | Carino, M. D. | 1,000.00 |
| I. O. (111) | Kettner, G. P. | 1,000.00 | 11 | Futkas, H. E. | 150.00 | 494 | Thompson, N. | 1,000.00 |
| I. O. (117) | Gough, A. | 1,000.00 | 11 | Brewer, H. F. | 1,000.00 | 494 | Kunz, O. | 1,000.00 |
| I. O. (118) | Robbins, T. | 1,000.00 | 11 | Vorels, C. L. | 1,000.00 | 497 | Evans, E. N. | 1,000.00 |
| I. O. (121) | Freeman, J. | 1,000.00 | 11 | Freeman, S. | 1,000.00 | 498 | Vannuren, E. T. | 1,000.00 |
| I. O. (128) | Erickson, O. | 1,000.00 | 18 | Bowker, J. N. | 1,000.00 | 499 | Riley, J. E. | 1,000.00 |
| I. O. (140) | Focht, R. | 1,000.00 | 26 | Gramm, Jr., E. C. | 1,000.00 | 501 | Sturmer, H. A. | 1,000.00 |
| I. O. (165) | Gardiner, F. E. | 500.00 | 27 | Gambino, F. A. | 1,000.00 | 501 | Chamberlain, A. | 1,000.00 |
| I. O. (177) | Asgaard, E. O. | 1,000.00 | 28 | Walsh, J. L. | 1,000.00 | 505 | Davis, Sr., M. M. | 1,000.00 |
| I. O. (177) | Hellrich, L. P. | 1,000.00 | 28 | Foundis, R. L. | 1,000.00 | 517 | Lovvold, T. | 650.00 |
| I. O. (193) | Weaver, W. H. | 1,000.00 | 34 | Dana, A. | 1,000.00 | 531 | Allen, W. | 1,000.00 |
| I. O. (193) | Olson, G. | 1,000.00 | 38 | Klynn, A. | 1,000.00 | 532 | Anderson, C. A. | 1,000.00 |
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| I. O. (360) | Klaeger, A. | 1,000.00 | 125 | Perrault, R. J. | 1,000.00 | 814 | Cathcart, R. A. | 1,000.00 |
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Another "Short Circuit"

Under a spreading apple tree
Stands Pilipuf's TV shop;
That guy, a mighty man is he;
He smokes a big cigar.

A DP brought 'em TV set;
It didn't have no "pitch,"
'Cause Pancho couldn't fix it,
It was a you know which!

It was a lovely TV set
But it warbled like Caruso,
When Pilipuf gets through with it
It surely will not do so.

Old Pilipuf gets busy
With formula and slide rule.
It must be fixed the same old way
The way he learned at school.

The sparks were flying all around;
It was a weird sight,
There was a clap of thunder;
Then out went all the lights!

DP no catch 'em TV set;
He was good and mad el rancho.
'Cause Johnny soaked him twenty bucks
And sent him back to Pancho.

R. E. VALGREN,
L. U. 214, Chicago, Ill.

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"What Fools We Be"

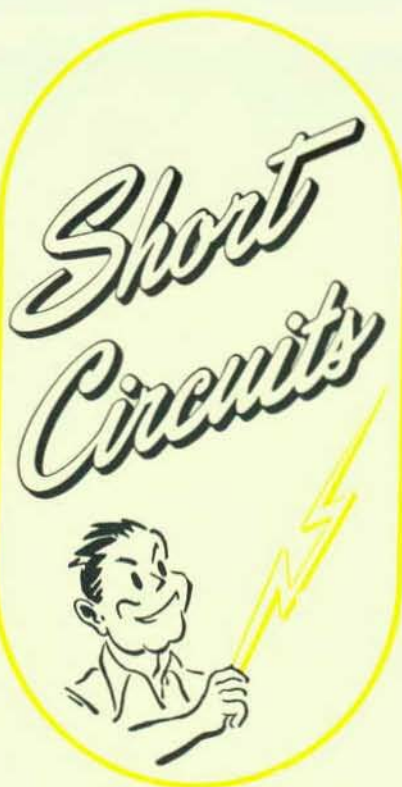
The wealth we seek
From dusk till dawn
The things we do
That we may riches own.

Riches? Ours?
Not really so!
For leave we not all
When our time comes to go?

What fools we be
If truly we can't see
'Tis but a loan to own
The things we call our own.

And while we may
Let us all each day
Seek to lend another
That which we
Need not today.

JACK ZUKER,
L. U. 3, New York, N. Y.



That Man

There lived a man in the long ago,
He wanted to see his community grow.
He wanted to live by the golden rule.
He wanted to send his children to school.
He wanted the summertime breezes cool,
He wanted the finest swimming pool.
The traffic lights he wouldn't obey,
Stop signs he disregarded the same way.
He wanted the best that money could buy.
But the laws and rules he would not try.
The best in life he surely threw away.
But the best he wanted, he used to say.
He wouldn't consider, he wouldn't stop
to think,
Laws and Commandments make the best
in life.
Obedience is better than sacrifice.

FERN McDONALD,
L. U. 1079, Mt. Clemens, Mich.

Let's Think

We plan a huge ICRM,
To shoot toward the moon,
Both day and night, this nation's might,
Strives, strains to make it soon.

We say no life exists up there,
No man nor plant could grow,
So, blindly we propose a blast
But do we really know.

No telescope so clearly sees,
What if there is no air?
Perhaps some other child of God,
Has habitation there.

It's time for us to conquer space
And walk the moon's bright, cratered
face,
But let's be pioneers of PEACE
And not send war-heads into space.

D. A. HOOVER,
L. U. 1396, Decatur, Ill.

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Good Morning

Good morning, Mr. General Foreman with
a smile on your face,
We have lots of Seventeen men that can
take your place.
We are true Brothers, we are proud of
our B. A.
And we have never had to back up to
draw our pay.
And we shine in our jurisdiction like the
sun
Shines in the good old U. S. A.
And when the job is too large for you,
Just call on our B. A.

TOM JORDAN,
L. U. 17, Detroit, Mich.

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Good Try

The Sunday School Class was com-
posed of three-year-olds. The teacher
asked:

"Do any of you remember who St.
Matthew was?" No answer.

"Well, does anyone remember who St.
Mark was?" Still no answer.

"Surely some of you must remember
who Peter was?"

The little faces were full of interest,
but the room remained quiet. Finally
a tiny voice came from the back of the
room.

"I fink he was a wabbit!"

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Of All Places

One-striper—"For months, I've been
wondering where my wife has been spend-
ing her evenings. Now I know."

Two-striper—"How'd ya find out?"

One-striper—"I went home one night,
and there she was."

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Easy

A British vicar was taking one of the
young men of his parish to task.

"Tom," he said, gravely, "I hear that
you have been raising false hopes in
several maiden hearts. Rumor says that
you're engaged to one girl in this village,
to another in Little Mudford, and to a
third in Ditchley. How can you do such
a thing?"

With an uneasy grin Tom replied:
"Well, sir, I've got a motor-bike."

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